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2008 Annual Report

Raymond, Maine

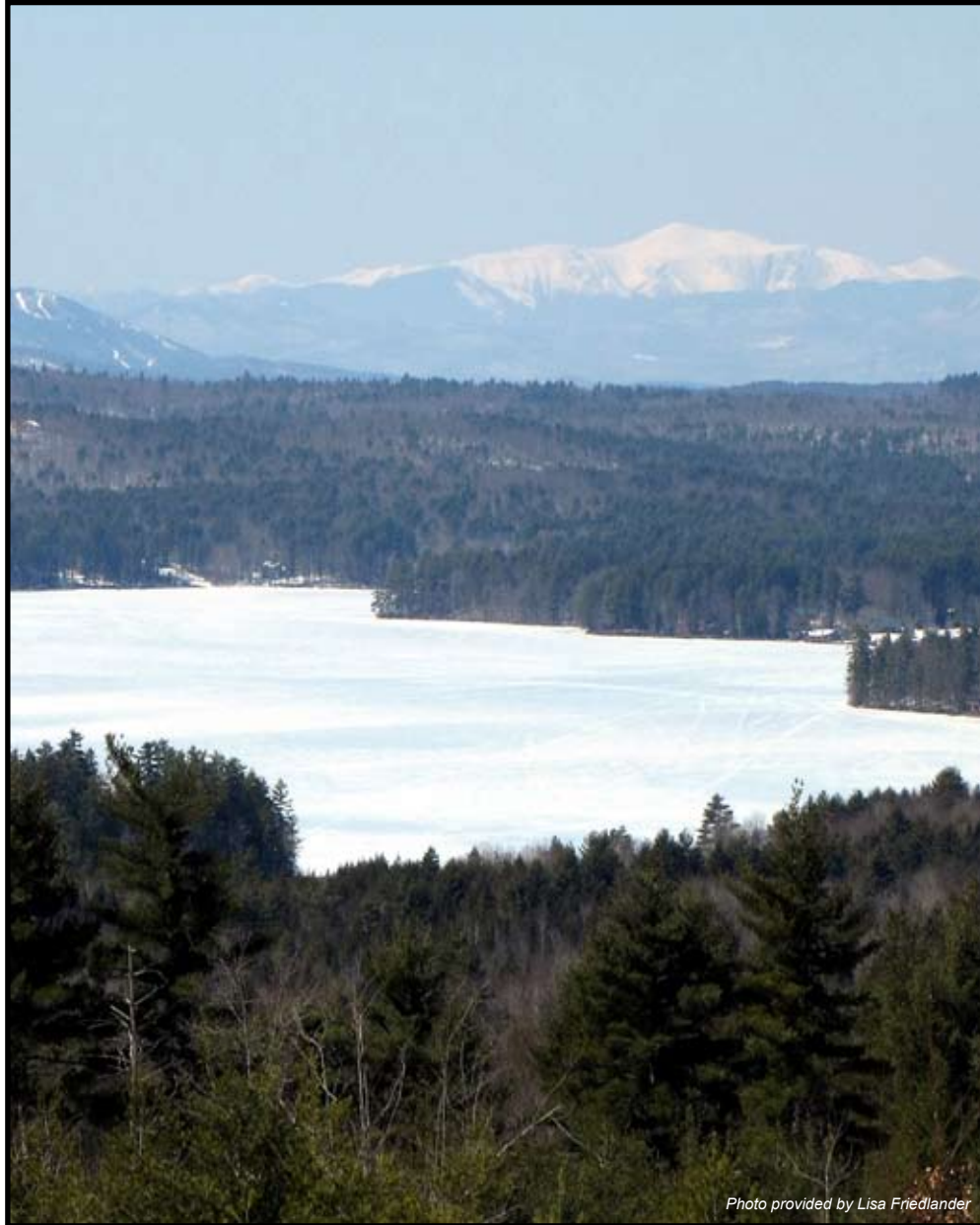
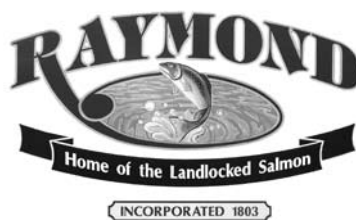
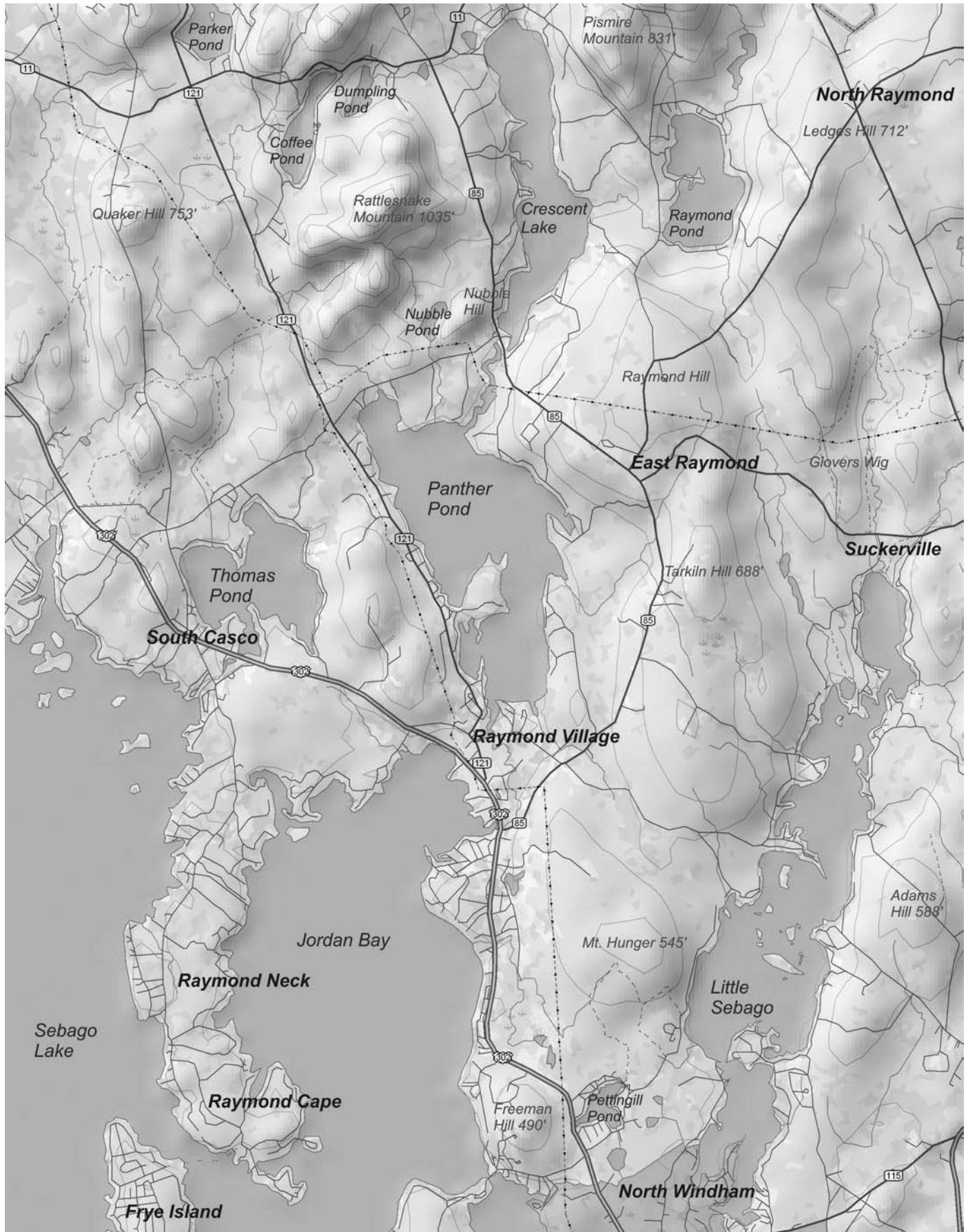


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The view from Tarkiln Hill



Raymond, Maine 04071



Annual Report of the Town Officers Raymond, Maine

For the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2008
Other reports for the Year Ending December 31, 2008



Raymond Pond

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Report of the Board of Selectmen

Dear Citizens of Raymond,

In 2008/09 the Board of Selectmen continued to maintain the direction and focus initiated in 2005 through policy setting, interpretation and municipal operations oversight. Despite drastic changes in the economy and ongoing uncertainty about the economic future, we have made every effort to find solutions that benefit the greatest number of Raymond townspeople. Our goal once again this year was to keep the mil rate flat. Some municipal services have been cut and other services reduced. Positions have been cut, and others have had their hours reduced. This has proved to be the hardest year to try to keep the mil rate flat, but I'm happy to report that we were able to do so with the municipal budget.

Since our last town report, school consolidation with Windham has become a successful reality. As I write this, our newly elected RSU #14 board is hard at work on their own budget, with the shared goal of keeping the mil rate flat.

This year's municipal budget again comes in under LD1 limits. The Board of Selectmen instructed Town Manager Don Willard and the department heads to stay within LD 1 limits while still considering a list of priorities that included curbside trash pick-up, an increase to the paving budget and support of the library, to name a few items. Though the task was more challenging this year due to cuts made to local revenue sharing by the State of Maine, this team rose to the occasion.

As many of you know, Raymond made headlines last fall when we began an investigation into secession from Cumberland County due to the significant increase in county taxes over the past few years. This investigation has been discontinued for now because if a secession were to be undertaken, we would need other communities to join us so that our borders would be contiguous. We continue our discussions with Cumberland County for increased sheriff patrol, while at the same time stressing the need to keep county expenses under control.

The Comprehensive Plan Implementation Committee is getting close to finishing its task to propose specific implementation strategies for executing our Comprehensive Plan. At Town Meeting, new ordinances will be considered for the commercial district that will become the backbone of the new Raymond Design Guidelines. Over 18 months in the creating, the Raymond Design Guidelines will become the blueprint that the Planning Board can follow for allowing more diverse development along the Route 302 corridor. These new guidelines and ordinances will give landowners more options on how they can use their land while at the same time laying out a vision for what the area could become.

The Planning Board is also finishing up its review of ordinances and is bringing forward an enhanced zoning map that includes new stream protections. The Conservation Commission has finished their work on the Open Space Plan and is looking forward to working toward its goals.

The board would like once again to recognize the Beautification Committee for the outstanding gardens and landscaping work done around the town. They expanded their work to include the new Raymond Veterans' Memorial Park, which opened at the end of May last year. Look for a new sign at the Veterans' park this spring/summer.

I have included only a few highlights in my thoughts above. They do not even scratch the surface of all the work that has been done by staff and volunteers on behalf of the citizens of Raymond. Please take a moment to read the summaries from town departments and committees. They are the backbone of what keeps this town moving forward. A big thank you from me to all of you.

The Board of Selectmen always welcomes comments or suggestions. We also encourage you to invest some of your time and energy in the Town of Raymond. There are applications on the website for you to become involved in one of the many volunteer opportunities our town offers.

Don't be a stranger to your neighbors, your neighborhood or your Town Office.

Respectfully submitted,

Mike Reynolds, Chair

Board members: Joe Bruno, Dana Desjardins, Mark Gendron, Lonnie Taylor

Report of the Budget/Finance Committee

The budget review process this year was limited to reviewing and making recommendations on the municipal budget. With the vote by Raymond and Windham to join in a Regional School Unit (RSU), we now fall under the rules enacted in the School Consolidation Act. Under the act, the RSU budget is not reviewed by the town's budget committee. Therefore, it is now incumbent on the citizens to perform their own review of the RSU budget and to attend a separate presentation meeting and then vote on the budget in a referendum.

At the onset of the budget process for this year, the Budget/Finance Committee met with the Select Board and town manager to try to establish some goals for limits to increases in the budgets.

The goal of the committee has been to strike a balance between the ever-increasing needs fueled by growth in the town and minimizing any impact on the taxpayers based on this growth. Adding to the complexity of this balancing act are the changes from the state in their funding to the town; an increase in the town's contribution to the county budget; and factoring for lower projections in non-property-tax revenues.

Input from the people of Raymond is desired and appreciated in helping to determine the overall direction the town wants to go. Unfortunately, many of the things wanted carry with them costs, and those costs need to be covered by our taxes. The various boards make decisions based on what is perceived that the townspeople want and need, but many times we end up making decisions with less than optimal input from the townspeople. It is, therefore, in your interest that we hear from you, not just at the annual town meeting but at the public hearings, the budget review meetings and other forums.

I thank the members of the Budget/Finance Committee for their dedication to the review process and the time that they so freely give in support of the town.

Members of the committee are: Rolf Olsen, Ralph Bartholomew, Robert Gosselin, Jerilyn Ward, Susan Accardi, William Chapman, Marshall Bullock, Dennis Cole, and Jean Carter

Respectfully submitted,
Rolf Olsen, Chair
Budget/Finance Committee

Report of the Planning Board

Dear Citizens of Raymond,

The Planning Board exists to regulate land use; to ensure that applications submitted to the Board are complete; to review applications for conformance to all applicable ordinances; and to encourage the most appropriate use of land within the Town of Raymond. The Planning Board also has the responsibility of ensuring that the active Ordinances which govern development and growth within the Town of Raymond are current and updated to reflect trends and changes within the regulatory environment and development community, and meet the intent and purpose of the Raymond Comprehensive Plan, as well as, provide clear and understandable requirements for development applications with standards which can be effectively implemented by the Planning Board.

The Planning Board has been working closely with the Comprehensive Plan Implementation Committee (CPIC) and the Town Planner, Hugh Coxe, for the last four years with workshops and joint meetings to formulate a strategy for revising and updating the Town's ordinances and Zoning Map. In 2006 a new Growth Management ordinance was enacted in addition to some minor revisions governing In-law/accessory apartments. At a special Town Meeting in 2007, the planning board adopted minor revisions to the Land Use Ordinance which include mostly organizational revisions, formatting changes, corrections, clarifications and definitions. Also, at a special Town Meeting in 2008, the planning board adopted minor revisions to the Land Use Ordinance which include reformatting changes, and minor changes to submission requirements for applications. In addition, to these minor changes, we made important revisions to the environmental and lake water quality ordinances which substantially improved the standards for stormwater management, erosion controls and phosphorus export from large development projects and single lot developments. We also updated the Land Use Regulation Map to a digital based map concurrent with Raymond's GIS data.

Another important accomplishment and very exciting project in 2008 was the development of a new Design Guideline manual and visioning process for the Raymond Commercial Corridor. This process will greatly enhance the future development and redevelopment of the commercial district and seek to create a strong village character for the Town of Raymond. The Design Guidelines is a result of the hard work of the Comprehensive Plan Implementation Committee (CPIC) working with the professional consultant Terrance J. DeWan and Associates. The planning board strongly supports the Design Guidelines and embraces the opportunity to improve upon and help shape the character and quality of Raymond's future.

The Planning Board is continuing to hold special workshops and joint meetings with CPIC to address additional revisions and updates to sections of Raymond's ordinances seeking to improve development in the Commercial Corridor which will be forthcoming at future Town meetings. These proposed changes are intended to revise or clarify certain sections within the ordinances affecting the Commercial Corridor. The CPIC, in cooperation with the Planning Board, is currently involved in consideration of applicable standards in Raymond's Commercial District to comply with Raymond's vision and Comprehensive Plan and achieve the goals and guidance included in the Design Guidelines.

We continue to be active with general review, modifications, revisions and updating of the ordinances and are working closely with the Comprehensive Plan Implementation Committee and Town Planner, Hugh Coxe, to help ensure that Raymond's ordinances are consistent with the Comprehensive Plan. All ordinance changes and new ordinances proposed by the Planning Board are subject to public comment at scheduled public hearings, and are reviewed by the Selectmen before being placed on a warrant for a town meeting or public referendum ballot.

The Board consists of seven members and a quorum of four is required to conduct a meeting. Most meetings are attended by Hugh Coxe, Raymond Town Planner, who assists the Planning Board in review of applications and interpretation of Ordinance requirements. The principal documents used when conducting Planning Board business are the Land Use Ordinance, Subdivision Ordinance, Shoreland Zoning Provi-

Report of the Planning Board

sions, and the Street Ordinance. The Town ordinances and maps are on the Raymond website or can be viewed at the Raymond Town Hall.

All matters concerning residential subdivisions, commercial development, development within the shoreland zone, roads, back lot driveways, etc., are typical issues that must come before the Board for various levels of review, and subsequent approval.

Board Members	Town Staff
Patrick Clark, Chairman	Karen Strout, Planning Board Secretary
Robert O'Neill, Vice Chairman	Hugh Coxe, Contract Planner
Kathryn "Ginger" Wallace	
Samuel Gifford	
Greg Foster	
William Priest	
Vacant	

The Planning Board reviewed several submissions in various stages in 2008. Seven residential and one commercial project received final approval. Many applications or approvals are still pending.

Major issues for 2008 were as follows:

Applicant	Type of Application	Status
Lee Adams	9 lot subdivision (Valley Heights)	approved
Hancock	13 lot subdivision (Rosewood Heights)	approved
Hancock	4 lot subdivision (Pismire Bluff)	approved
Dielectric	Site Plan	approved
Liasasa	Abandonment of 43 lot subdivision	approved

All meetings are public proceedings and may be attended by any member of the public. Public hearings may be required for certain projects or Planning Board activities. Any member of the public may be heard at a public hearing and will be given the opportunity to speak for or against a project or issue.

Come join us at our meetings which are held the second Wednesday of each month. The Board values public participation, and you will have an opportunity to provide input on development and growth in the Town of Raymond. All public hearings are advertised in the Lakes Region Suburban Weekly, *Town of Raymond website* and also posted at the Town Hall.

Respectfully submitted,
Patrick Clark, Chairman

Report of the Zoning Board of Appeals

Dear Citizens of Raymond,

The Town of Raymond Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA) was created as a consequence of the 1971 Revised Statutes of Maine. This statute mandated that all state municipalities develop and implement a Land Use Ordinance and Shoreland Zoning Ordinance in compliance with the minimum standards established by state law. The stated purpose of the Raymond Land Use Ordinance is “to promote the health, safety, and general welfare of the community by regulating the use of land and the use and construction of new buildings and premises.” The purpose of the Shoreland Zoning Ordinance is to safeguard the shoreland areas of our town from the impact of development.

The ZBA derives its authority from Article VI of the Land Use Ordinance, which in turn has been approved and is modified periodically by the citizens of Raymond. The board comprises five regular members and one alternate member. All members are volunteers appointed by the Board of Selectmen. The ZBA meets the last Monday of each month at 7pm at the Town Office to consider requests for setback reductions, variances to zoning provisions, and proposed conditional uses, as well as administrative appeals from decisions of the Code Enforcement Officer (CEO). Board members, in the company of the CEO, may conduct site visits to an applicant’s property for the purpose of inspection and fact finding prior to acting on an application. All ZBA meetings are announced in advance and open to the public. Public attendance and input is encouraged at all ZBA meetings.

ZBA members during 2008 included:

Matthew Schaefer (Chair)

Michael Higgins

Peter Leavitt

Elden Lingwood

Lawrence Murch

Mary Picavet (Alternate)

The responsibility of the ZBA is to hear and grant or deny applications for variances to criteria set forth in the Land Use Ordinance and Shoreland Zoning Ordinance, as well as to consider appeals that challenge the interpretation of these ordinances made by the CEO. During 2008, the ZBA heard relatively few requests and ruled only on lot setback reduction and conditional use requests. The following is a summary of the ZBA decisions for the year 2008:

- Administrative appeals approved: 0
- Administrative appeals denied: 0
- Lot setback reductions approved: 3 (each with conditions)
- Lot setback reductions denied: 0
- Conditional use approved: 1 (short term housing)
- Variance approved: 0
- Variance denied: 0

The mission of the ZBA is to act on behalf of the citizens of Raymond in enforcing both the letter and the intent of the Land Use Ordinance and Shoreland Zoning Ordinance. As the language of any statute is subject to interpretation, it is the responsibility of the ZBA to bring to the attention of the Planning Board, the Selectmen, and the community those provisions of each ordinance that may require revision in order clearly to reflect the intent of the voters of the town.

Respectfully submitted,
Matthew P. Schaefer

Report of the Assessors

Assessing Department

Michael O'Donnell, Assessors' Agent

8:30 - 4:00 Thursdays

mikeodonnell@raymondmaine.org

Elizabeth R. Cummings, Assessor's Assistant

12:00 - 4:00 Tuesday / 8:30 - 4:00 Wednesday & Thursday

elizabeth.cummings@raymondmaine.org

207.655.4742 x25

2008 Tax Rate: 10.80 per Thousand

	Real Estate Land	Real Estate Building	Personal Property	Total Taxable Valuation
	\$544,672,725	\$416,648,743	\$12,794,533	\$974,116,001

Tax Rate Comparisons

	2008-2009	2007-2008	2006-2007	2005-2006
County Appropriation	\$545,548	\$507,245	\$481,299	\$454,778
County Tax Rate	\$0.56/\$1,000	\$0.51/ \$1,000	\$0.47/ \$1,000	\$0.95/ \$1,000

Net Municipal Appropriation	\$1,870,178	\$1,823,138	\$1,767,285	\$1,429,860
TIF Financing	\$188,900	\$199,796	\$187,399	\$229,708
Overlay	\$134,179	\$247,647	\$267,353	\$166,745
Town Tax Rate	\$2.25/\$1,000	\$2.35/ \$1,000	\$1.89/ \$1,000	\$3.51/ \$1,000

Net School Appropriation	\$7,781,647	\$7,081,450	\$7,031,206	\$6,707,777
School Tax Rate	\$7.99/\$1,000	\$7.34/ \$1,000	\$6.94/ \$1,000	\$14.24/ \$1,000

Total Appropriation	\$10,520,452	\$9,859,276	\$9,734,542	\$8,988,868
Total Tax Rate	\$10.80/\$1,000	\$10.20/ \$1,000	\$10.20/ \$1,000	\$9.30/ \$1,000

Report of the Code Enforcement Officer

Dear Citizens of Raymond,

This year we saw a shake up in the Code Office! I have replaced Jack as the Code Officer. Jack has been the Code Officer since 1981 and will continue part-time in the Code Office as Assistant Code Officer but will be spending his winters in the warmth of the Florida sun. Jack returns May 1, so please stop in and say hello. It may take me a while to gain the knowledge that Jack developed over his 30+ years of service to Raymond, but I look forward to serving the citizens with the same loyalty that Jack had to the town. Karen Strout, CEO secretary, also continues to provide invaluable services to the Office, the Planning Board and Zoning Board of Appeals.

We are developing computer systems to track permitting and GPS locations for building and Public Works activities. We try to issue permits on the spot, but we appreciate advance planning and pre-application discussions so that we understand what is being proposed, and the applicant can understand the material that must be submitted. You can contact us at 655-4742 ext. 41 (Jack), ext. 42 (Will), or ext. 43 (Karen). Our office is open Tuesdays from noon-7pm, Wednesday through Friday 8:30am-4pm and Saturday 8:30am-noon. Contractors may request site inspections on Mondays and Tuesday mornings by appointment.



You may also need to contact the Portland Water District if you are working within 200 feet of Sebago Lake (call Nate Whalen at 774-5961 ext. 3338). If you are working within 75 feet of lakes, streams, or wetland areas, you should contact the Department of Environmental Protection (822-6300).

This seasonal camp replacement on Panther Pond is expanding the previous camp by the allowed 30% and constructing 2 outbuildings over 100 feet from the lake. It required ZBA approval and an engineered stormwater management plan for the site.

During the 2008 calendar year, there were 4 new homes built but no seasonal conversions, with a valuation of approximately \$800,000. This is significantly less than the 16 new dwellings in 2007, and nearly one tenth as many as in 2006. (Note: in 2006, reconstructed homes were counted as new homes; the 2007 and 2008 numbers do not reflect reconstructed homes.) Raymond development reflects the national trend fueled by the recession. We were aware of many projects that were proposed, and in some cases permitted, but that were not developed due to the economic uncertainty.

The code office issued 144 building permits, with a total valuation of approximately 6.3 million dollars. In addition to the 4 new homes built in 2007, 55 permits were issued for additions, renovations, replacements or accessory buildings and garages.

During the past year, 42 new or replacement septic system permits were issued; 48 internal plumbing permits were issued. Despite the economic downturn, home renovation is still occurring. The town collected \$37,045 in permit fees: \$28,150 for building permits, \$8,895 for plumbing permits. The town granted approval for 26 new building lots, no multi-family dwelling units and 1 site review project.

Respectfully submitted,
William Cook, Code Enforcement Officer

Report of the Voter Registrar

To the Raymond Voters,

This year, possibly because it was a Presidential Election year, we saw a large increase in voter registration. With the new Centralized Voter Registration linked directly to Augusta, it was a much more efficient process.

At town elections on June 10th and the Annual Town Meeting May 28th we had a representative group of voters. In the November Presidential Election there were 2,767 ballots cast.

As of November 4, 2008, there were a total of 4322 registered voters in Raymond, of which 1256 were Republicans, 1169 were Democrats, 128 were Green Independent, and 1769 were Unenrolled (not having a party affiliation).

See you at the polls.

Respectfully submitted,
Louise Murray, Registrar



Report of the Town Clerk

VITAL STATISTICS July 1, 2007 to June 30, 2008

Marriages Recorded 33

Births Recorded 41

Deaths Recorded 31

HUNTING AND FISHING LICENSES

Multiple authorities were sold on one license. For the year July 1, 2007, to June 30, 2008, 672 licenses were sold, many of which had multiple authorities.

DOG LICENSES

	2007- 2008	2006-2007	2005-2006	2004-2005	2003-2004
Un-neutered	51	69	71	47	68
Neutered	538	527	490	439	461
Kennels	3	3	1	2	3

BOATS

2007-2008	2006-2007	2005-2006	2004-2005	2003-2004
947	1201	1269	1247	1342

ATVS

2007-2008	2006-2007	2005-2006	2004-2005	2003-2004
182	210	219	226	267

RESIDENT SNOWMOBILES

2007-2008	2006-2007	2005-2006	2004-2005	2003-2004
398	360	316	434	372

NON-RESIDENT SNOWMOBILES AND ATV'S

2007-2008	006-2007	2005-2006	2004-2005	2003-2004
53	46	23	45	39

Report of the Town Manager



Dear Raymond Citizens,

I am pleased to submit the 2008 Raymond Annual Town Report. The town report contains a wealth of valuable information on the operations of Raymond's municipal government and school department for the previous fiscal year, as well as reports from various volunteer and community service agencies. An effort is made to provide detailed financial information, including the fiscal year 2009/2010 municipal budget and related warrant articles, which will be considered at the annual Town Meeting on June 2, 2009, at 7pm in the Jordan-Small Middle School gym. Secret-ballot voting will then be held Tuesday, June 9, from 7am to 8pm, also at JSMS.

The town maintains a website located at www.raymondmaine.org where information is posted regularly on municipal, school, and community activities and agencies. Citizens interested in learning more about Raymond governmental activities are also encouraged to watch local government cable Channel 2 and school Channel 3. An effort is made to broadcast virtually all municipal and school meetings, the majority of which are broadcast live and then played back at regular intervals. Detailed information on upcoming community meeting broadcast listings can be found on the public access channels as well as the town's website. Highlighted below are a number of significant activities and events that occurred during the fiscal year 2007/2008 period.

- The Board of Selectmen once again put in place performance measures for the town manager to guide the development of the municipal budget. The adopted budget was compliant again with spending restrictions imposed by the state, known as LD 1, at a percentage increase of 3.04% and a dollar increase of \$55,590, which when factored against town property growth resulted in a flat municipal budget from a property tax increase standpoint.
- Additional changes were made in the town's bulky waste program to save taxpayer dollars by reducing the level of citizen-delivered tonnage subsidized by the town, while at the same time also expanding access to the program to as many Raymond citizens as possible.
- A second bid process for municipal insurance services was conducted, saving an additional 6.3% in fiscal 08/09. The first round of bidding last fiscal year had already shaved off 10.7% from the previous year's appropriations.
- Raymond Olympian Kirsten Clark was awarded the 'key to the town' by Chairman of the Board of Selectmen Mark Gendron in recognition of her athletic accomplishments and fine representation of her hometown.
- Certificates of appreciation were presented to Eagle Scout candidates Kyle Woodbrey and Steven Lentine in recognition of their public service Eagle Scout projects: the Raymond Town Office reader board and Veterans' Memorial Park walkway, respectively. The town is extremely proud to highlight the extraordinary efforts of these young men and the significant and lasting improvements they made to our community.
- The Board of Selectmen established a special account to accept private tax-deductible donations to supplement the General Assistance account by helping families in need with heat and other emergency support. In addition to the planned budgeted funds these funds were disbursed under the General Assistance guidelines. Because of the high price of heating oil, the Town Office received many more calls for heating assistance than normal. In the 2007-2008 budget only \$2,000 was set-aside for General Assistance, which in years past has been sufficient. In all, over \$12,000 was donated to the Community Assistance Fund during this same time period.

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Report of the Town Manager

- Work was completed on Egypt Road to enable a transfer of maintenance responsibility to the Maine Department of Transportation.
- The town adopted the National Incident Management System (NIMS) which is required for all communities to receive federal grant funding through the Department of Homeland Security and requires all incident management and certain other public employees to receive specialized training.
- The town recognized Raymond resident and Maine State Police Trooper Lucas Hare on his selection as Maine's State Police Trooper of the Year.
- Discussions were ongoing throughout the year with neighboring communities on strategies to combine programs for cost savings. In the near future it is hoped that a regional public safety/fire rescue department can be incorporated including several Lake Region communities.

None of the outlined accomplishments and activities would have been possible without the leadership and direction of the Board of Selectmen, the many dedicated citizens that serve our community in various volunteer capacities and our hard-working municipal employees.

As was the case last year, the near term financial forecast is bleak. The town is committed to addressing the financial strain of the worsening economy by reducing municipal activity to a core services level. This process will not be easy, and both local and regional outside agencies will be affected by town cutbacks. However, by reducing to the greatest extent possible the burden on our local taxpayers, it is the intent of the Selectmen to keep as much commerce as possible circulating within our community. Despite cutbacks and reductions, we are all very committed to continuing to provide the high quality services that Raymond residents have become accustomed to receiving. Now more than ever, it is important to partner with neighboring communities and outside governmental agencies, and to utilize the generous services of our many active volunteers to help mitigate the upward pressure on the tax rate in providing essential services. In that regard, if you have any suggestions of ways we can reduce costs and/or improve services, they would be most appreciated.

Sincerely,
Don Willard
Raymond Town Manager

Report of the Animal Control Officer

Dear Citizens of Raymond,

Animal Control issued 9 verbal and written warnings and issued 30 tickets and 3 summons, as well as making 2 appearances at court. There were 29 deliveries to the Animal Refuge League of stray dogs and cats; 10 calls about unlicensed dogs; 1 possibly rabid animal; and 8 bats were taken to the Maine State Laboratory for testing. The ACO answered 35 barking dog complaints; 36 dogs at-large calls; 1 call about cats fighting; 26 stray cat calls; 13 loose horses; 1 stray cow; 1 large turtle; and 20 dogs loose on our beaches or ball parks. Received were 29 calls for lost dogs and 7 missing cats.

Nine complaints were filed about cats being bitten by unknown animals; dog(s) killing 10 chickens; 14 dogs taken to a veterinarian for porcupine quills; 3 dead dogs were picked up; 1 dead goose; 2 odd-looking geese; 2 doves; and 1 pigeon. The ACO returned 12 at-large dogs to their owners. Four injured dogs were taken to a veterinarian.

The Animal Control Officer accomplished 29 investigations or administrative days; 1 rabies clinic; 13 equipment loans; 3 traps set for stray animals; 3 information only calls; 1 hoax call; 5 public relations calls; and 7 complaints of people being bitten by dogs. As a mutual aid policy, the ACO went on 6 calls in other towns and answered calls with information. He inspected 6 kennels and attended 4 required ACO trainings and/or meetings.

Animal Control also referred 11 wild animal complaints to the Maine Warden Service and gave information relating to 3 skunk calls. There were no reported rabies cases in Raymond.

Calls are up this year, from the 440 in 2007 to 502 in 2008.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION:

NO DOGS are allowed on Raymond beaches, ballparks, playgrounds, or cemeteries by town ordinance.

DOG LICENSES are due by December 31st of every year. A three-year rabies certificate is required and if neutered, a neutering certificate. If the dog is less than a year old, the rabies certificate will be for one year.

FOR ASSISTANCE with domestic animals, please call Cumberland County Dispatch, which will forward calls to the Animal Control Officer, at 1-800-501-1111, or call the Town Office during regular office hours at 655-4742. For wild animals, please call the Maine Warden Service at 657-2345 or Cumberland County Dispatch at 1-800-501-1111.

Respectfully submitted,
Don Alexander, Animal Control Officer

Report of the Emergency Management

Dear Citizens of Raymond,

We are pleased to announce the close out of the Patriots Day storm reimbursement. We have received all funds, totaling \$101,668.70, which reimbursed costs incurred by the Public Works and Fire Rescue Departments.

We were awarded a grant for five P25 digital-compliant radios in a joint grant with Cumberland County Emergency Management, and in December we received a grant for an additional five radios. The total value of these grants is over \$11,000.

We have experienced several storms that resulted in power losses during winter months. We have on several occasions opened warming shelters in conjunction with other towns so as not to duplicate costs and effort. These shelters have not been attended by Raymond residents as of yet.

Please visit the Maine Emergency Management website to explore how to prepare your family for emergency situations. at <http://maine.gov/mema/>

Dialing 211 and or visiting www.211maine.org will give you a link to vital information in an emergency. This website includes shelter information.

For questions or concerns please feel free to call me at 655-1187.

Respectfully submitted,
Bruce Tupper, Director

Report of the Raymond Fire/Rescue Department

Dear Citizens of Raymond,

2008 has been another busy year for the Raymond Fire / Rescue Department! This year we have seen a decrease in membership, as some members have retired, moved out of town or are unable to continue due to family commitments. Still, I am proud to report that our members are responding to the ever-increasing demand for service for emergency calls. This, while attending more trainings and receiving a bit less per hour in compensation since we decreased some stipends and weekend pay this past year.

In the past ten years as your chief, we have seen an increase in rescue billing, going from \$18-20,000 with almost a 100% collection rate in the late 1990s to today's figures of rescue billing totaling approximately \$250,000 a year, with write-offs of 25-30%. The result is over \$150,000 that goes into the Town's general surplus fund, while our call volume in ten years' time has gone from 400 requests for services to over 800 calls in 2008!

Some of the highlights of 2008 include laptop computers in the ambulances for electronic medical reports, as mandated by the State of Maine. To maintain the level of emergency service, we moved to a paramedic / firefighter at the station 24 hours a day. We have gotten more aggressive with burning-permit abusers and are working with surrounding towns who in the past have utilized our resources without fair compensation. At the end of 2008, the Naples Regional Dispatch Center closed, and we transferred our dispatching services over to the Cumberland County Dispatch Center. We have changed to narrow band emergency radios, installed two new radio antennas and repaired the main antenna at the Town Office.



Rescue Boat training process.



Three Raymond firefighters at a structure fire during the power outage.

Furthermore, through training, we have qualified the whole department, including some non-department town employees, to the basic level of the National Incident Command System. We met all federal and state mandated trainings and successfully secured a fire grant to replace our very old self-contained breathing apparatus, totaling over \$150,000 in real savings. We delivered the increasing calls for service without major injury or driving incident, and we finally stabilized the management team, with all three chief officers each having over five years of rank and service in Raymond.

Our Public Safety Building on Roosevelt Trail continues to serve the area and is being used by the state's Inland Fisheries and Wildlife Department, the Cumberland County Sheriff, Maine State Police and even the Frye Island police. We are also the new home of the Lions Club; and Dielectric Communications and Sabre Yachts use our community room for training of their personnel. We use the building to offer fire and EMS classes and federal NIMS training to our members and to the surrounding towns' departments. Captain Kerr has also trained over 106 members and community folks in CPR this past year. Surrounding homes and camps with water issues have 24 hour access to clean water from a spigot on the east side of this building. Captain

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Report of the Raymond Fire/Rescue Department

Messinger has logged 396 hours inspecting 14 summer camps, 24 businesses, 11 daycares and 67 private solid-fuels stove installations.

The good news / bad news is the bottom line! We are doing this with fewer total tax dollars than we spent in the 2004-2005 total budgets, but with an increase in calls for service and trainings. The bad news is the building is showing the wear and tear of use. As it was built with the low bid (\$800,000.00 less than the next closest bid), all the short cuts have begun to pop up. Nothing major so far, just some hidden issues. The commercial metal roof was voted down in favor of the shingled residential roof by the building committee; and with the minimum insulation and two bad winters, you have the ice dams typical of residential roofs. The trouble is the building is commercial, and now with over twenty plus leaks in the roof; we have an expense and a matter that will need improvement in the near future.

My personal e-mail is morse@maine.rr.com, and as your Chief, I want to know your thoughts and concerns; I will respond in kind. During my first year, I visited many homes and a few businesses to answer concerns and a few legitimate complaints and still will do house calls as needed.

My thanks to all of our personnel, who continue to serve the town as fire or rescue members, in the fire police, or as association members. And we appreciate all of the words of encouragement, letters, thank-you cards and well-wishes we receive from the residents of the Town of Raymond. As always, it continues to be an honor to serve and receive your on-going trust as your Chief. Thank you, and drive and live with care.

Respectfully submitted,
Denis Morse, Fire Chief

Report of the Road Commissioner

Dear Citizens of Raymond,

During 2008 the Public Works Department completed the following projects. Rodney Knights Construction assisted with paving and road maintenance.

Paving

- Cape Road – construction in preparation for paving
- Elizabeth Avenue – paved
- Raymond Hill Road – patched
- County Road – installed curbing

NOTE: The paving program was halted early due to the price increase for asphalt.

Road Maintenance

The roads in Raymond were badly affected by the weather conditions, and we've attempted to repair them as those points of wear became apparent. The 2008 December snowstorm will be reimbursed 80% to the town by the federal government's disaster reimbursement program.

Miscellaneous Projects Completed

- Tree removal
- Sign maintenance
- Equipment repairs
- Facility maintenance

Winter Road Maintenance/Storms

- We are in the first year of a five-year contract with P&K Sand and Gravel for winter plowing.
- Public Works will continue to plow the following: Birch Drive, Caton Road, Chapel Street, County Road, Crockett Road, Gay Avenue, Harmon Road, Patricia Avenue, Peterson Road, Pine Lane, Pipeline Road, Ridge Road, Viola Street, the school bus turnaround on Mill Street, Egypt Road, Mill Street, Martin Heights, Tenny Hill Road, Presidential View, Gore Road, Dolimount Road, Canal Road, Salmon Run, Brown Road, Ball Drive, Raymond Village Library, Town Office, Jordan-Small Middle School, Raymond Elementary School, and the fire stations.



Tenny Hill



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Report of the Road Commissioner

We are looking forward to delivering service to the residents of the Town of Raymond during FY 09/10. Upcoming projects will be published on the town's website at <http://www.raymondmaine.org>.

Our crew

- Kevin Lamarre – 3 years service
- Jason Larrabee – 6.5 years service
- Scott Picavet – 7 years service
- Shep Stults – 6.5+ years service

Reminder

In order to maintain the road signs for our enhanced 911 system, we ask that if any road signs are missing or damaged, please report it to the Town Office at 655-4742 as soon as possible.

If you have any questions or comments you can reach me by e-mail nathan.white@raymondmaine.org, by phone at 655-1012, for emergencies contact me at 653-3641. I will do my best to answer all inquiries in a timely manner.

Respectfully submitted,
Nathan White, Road Commissioner

Report of Solid Waste

The rising cost of handling solid waste is continuing to be a challenge. We're presently using three avenues of discarding unwanted refuse: curbside trash and recycling pickup; cardboard recycling at the Public Works/Fire Department garage on Webbs Mills Road; and the bulky waste facility in Casco.

Lake Region Bulky Waste Facility

We continued our association with the Lake Region Bulky Waste Facility for the disposal of bulky waste, unwanted building materials and wood products. The facility is well run and efficient and has a primary goal to recycle as much as possible. Their compost product is much sought after by residents, and the other recycled products are hauled to centers, which sort and market them. Only a small portion is actually burned for trash to energy or left on a landfill. The facility, which is owned by the towns of Naples and Casco, has been able to stay financially solvent with minimal support from the towns because of revenue from the return on the product and user fees at the gate. Currently the gate fees for the participating towns of Casco, Naples, Raymond and Otisfield are \$.05/lb for everything, except \$.025/lb for brush and round wood, and commercial fees of \$.10/lb for everything, except \$.05/lb for brush and round wood.

The advent of our coupon program in 2005 allowed Raymond to reduce its bulky waste budget from \$156,000 to \$50,000. This limitation of "free" bulky waste has allowed the town to more equitably transfer the responsibility of paying for the disposal of waste from the taxpayer to the user.

Curbside Trash Pickup

We began a new 3-year contract with Pine Tree Waste on July 1, 2007. The cost of having curbside trash pickup is less expensive than having a transfer station of our own. Pine Tree Waste serves over 3,500 households weekly, and their service has been commendable. The few complaints we receive are quickly addressed because the Town Office has a direct line via e-mail to Pine Tree Waste's operations section and have found their response to be exemplary.

Respectfully submitted,
Louise H. Lester, Town Clerk

Report of the Jordan-Small Middle School Principal

Dear Citizens of Raymond,

The 2008-2009 school year finds the staff of Jordan-Small Middle School dealing with many challenges. Our school year started with a very lean budget that resulted in reduced programs, increased class sizes at some grade levels, reductions in field trips, and elimination of most professional development opportunities. We adapted to wearing more layers of clothing, making do with fewer supplies and postponing building and equipment repairs, as the state government cut general-purpose aid to school districts this past fall. Through all these challenges, the teaching and support staff at J.S.M.S. has continued to provide the best environment and instruction they can for our students. We are currently in the process of improving our instructional program to meet the needs of our students in a variety of ways.

At the first meeting of our staff this past August, I shared information from many sources that pointed to the need for our school to focus our energies around literacy skills in all subject areas. Val Hammett, Patricia Valley and Marilee Dunklee became literacy leaders for our staff. They continue to work with us collectively and individually so that we can implement literacy strategies across the curriculum. These strategies include such techniques as prediction and inference, use of contextual cues, methods for organizing key concepts prior to writing, and many more skills and strategies our students need to acquire or hone as they prepare for high school.

Our work this year also includes developing a model to address new federal legislation that measures "Response to Intervention." This model requires scientifically based (standardized) measures to be used to identify students who are not meeting the performance standards of their grade level. Teachers then implement increasingly intensive and individualized instruction to move each student toward the skills they need to reach grade level standards. The entire process is a precursor to special education evaluation and also seeks to make sure every student is working to his or her full potential. The Student Assistance Team members and the Team Leaders have each contributed countless hours of work toward developing our plan and creating opportunities to support students who are struggling.

The 2008-2009 school year has led to increased use of technology resources by many staff members. Each time I walk through the school I see evidence of the degree to which technology has become part of what our students experience in class every day. The majority of our teachers add to their repertoire every year by finding new ways to incorporate technology into their instruction and by using technology to engage students in their assignments. The increasing use of technology has been one of our school district goals for many years and will be a priority for improving our school in the years ahead.

As resources have diminished, we have relied more and more on the generosity of individuals and organizations to help us bring opportunities to our students. The PTO has been called upon many times to fund academic and extra-curricular needs and to bring programs into the school. Area businesses have donated to support our cheering team and to cover transportation costs for community service trips. Countless individuals give their time and expertise to assist in the arts, sports and in fundraising for class trips. Without the support of the community, our students would be missing out on so many experiences that have become part of J.S.M.S.

In spite of the economic pressures we all currently face, the staff has continued to seek ways to improve every student's education. It is a privilege to work with professionals who bring positive energy and a deep commitment to their work with young people. To find out about the many great learning opportunities our students experience throughout each month, check out our "eNewsletter" in the school's section on the town website.

I look forward to becoming part of RSU 14 with the knowledge that our school will retain the climate and character that make it a great place for middle school kids. The merger of our schools with those in Windham will bring greater opportunities for improving our programs and a wider professional network that will benefit all the students in both communities.

Respectfully submitted,
Randy Crockett, Principal

Report of the Raymond Elementary School Principal

Dear Citizens of Raymond.

It is my pleasure to inform you, the taxpayers and residents of Raymond, of the successful operation of the Raymond Elementary School during this last year as your community elementary school. We face many opportunities and uncertainties as we move towards the reality of school consolidation. Through all of these challenges, our focus remains on providing the best academic program for each of our students.

Last year we initiated a new assessment system offered through the Northwest Evaluation Association (NWEA). Raymond students have joined the more than three million children in the United States taking computer-generated assessments in Reading, Language and Math. These are adaptive tests that are tailored to each child's achievement level. Unlike other achievement tests, we receive immediate results after testing is completed. The data is current and most helpful to teachers as they make informed decisions about each child's educational program. Student progress and growth in basic skills are also tracked over time. I am excited about the opportunities to utilize the grade level and school results to guide our work in improving instruction at RES.

Our Academic Enrichments (AE) program continues to be an essential part of the core academic program offered to all elementary students. Our AE teachers are outstanding educators and contribute much to the learning experiences, opportunities and success of all children in our school. Patti Gordan in music, Deborah Murray in computer, Casey Reynolds in art, Sue Ellen Gendron in library and Leesa Smith in gym have developed a very cohesive and effective AE team. Our students love going to music, computer, art, library and gym each week. Continuing to offer a comprehensive AE program in grades K – 4 is a priority for us.

We were all delighted when Mrs. Gordan was recognized as one of Maine's outstanding teachers through the UNUM Educators Hall of Fame Starting Six last year. She was nominated for her outstanding dedication to the music program in Raymond. She was honored at a Portland Pirates hockey game, and received a personal Pirates jersey and many cheers from an appreciative audience. Mrs. Gordan's work in Raymond has influenced students for more than twenty years. She truly represents the hard work and dedication of our teachers and support staff, and we are very proud that she has been publicly recognized for her many accomplishments as a music educator.

The Responsive Classroom training has been a very important resource for us, providing teachers and administrators with consistent practices to assist students in developing positive social skills and improving academic skills. Come to school and you will see classrooms starting the day with a Morning Meeting that sets the tone for the classroom learning community. The mantra of "Fix It, Lose It or Take a Break" is used daily throughout the school, and Mrs. Gordan has published a song to help all of our students understand the consequences for their behavior choices. The Responsive Classroom initiative, along with the I CARE rules, guidance counselor Deb Hutchinson's instruction in all classrooms and the efforts of our 4th grade CATS (Caring Assistance Team) and 3rd grade KITS (Kats in Training) are all successful efforts to support our elementary students and create a caring and safe learning environment for each student. A positive school culture is one of the hallmarks of our school, and teachers have made a united commitment to support students as they take increased responsibility for their behavior and make more positive choices during the school day.

A new breakfast program initiated this year has been very successful and a great benefit for our elementary children. It has been exciting for me to work with food service director Kim Williams and her assistant, Sandy Cook, on this initiative. A Grab and Go breakfast is available each morning. Students select a choice of cereals or homemade muffins, fruit, yogurt or cheese and milk to eat in their classrooms. Teachers are finding that students have improved focus and more positive behavior after eating school breakfast. We are delighted that, on average, there are 75 students participating daily in the new breakfast program. I appreciate the efforts of the Raymond Wellness Committee for their role in bringing breakfast and other wellness initiatives to students and staff.

Report of the Raymond Elementary School Principal

Parent and community volunteers have played an increasingly important role in our school, especially in light of the budget cuts over the past several years. We have many volunteers who support classroom instruction through their efforts in the classroom and at home. This work is essential to our success and their contributions are very much appreciated and valued by all members of the Raymond Elementary School community. I am especially grateful for the school supplies and resources that families have contributed to school this past year. Of special note is the ongoing support of parents involved in the Raymond PTO and the outstanding enthusiasm and leadership of president Alizah Shriver.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Superintendent Sandra Caldwell and the Raymond central office staff, Dot Mowatt, Margaret Lent, Kellie Sampson, Chrystal Pitarys and Doris Horne, for their dedication to the Raymond School District. It has been a pleasure working with them and housing the district staff at the Raymond Elementary School.

Respectfully submitted,
Norma Richard, Principal
Raymond Elementary School



Lauren's Academic Fair Project



Austyn and Derrike are RES Book Buddies



Madison and Her Grammie at Grandparents' Day

Report of 2008 Scholarships Awarded

Carleton E. Edwards Scholarship Trust Fund:

Julia Hartig and Elizabeth Stevenson

Collins-Day Scholarship:

Amy Cobb, Alexandra Gordan, and Amy McIntire

George E. Wood Memorial Scholarship:

Travis Guerrette, Ian Levinsky, Lucas McNally, Colin Plourde, and Cody Winde

Julie Orsini Scholarship:

Amy McIntire.

Raymond Parent-Teacher Organization Scholarship:

Elizabeth Stevenson and Alexandra Gordan

Betts-Douglas-Hickey Scholarship:

Travis P. Guerrette

Alvah Clough Memorial Scholarship:

Not awarded in 2008

Torstein Johannas Lund Trust Fund Scholarship:

Not awarded in 2008

Report of the Beautification Committee

Dear Citizens of Raymond,

The Raymond Beautification Committee came together over five years ago to look at ways to maintain and refine the extensive landscaping put in place under the Route 302 Improvement Project of 2003. The committee works with town government, local businesses and volunteers known as "Walk 'n Weeders" to enhance the atmosphere of the busy Route 302 corridor. Last year volunteers contributed approximately 600 hours of pruning, weeding and watering in over seventy gardens along Route 302 and at Jordan- Small Middle School.

The long-term viability of the Route 302 Improvement Project depends on participation of the businesses that line the corridor, as well as individual volunteers and community groups. The Beautification Committee's "Adopt a Garden" program is gaining strength, with approximately 30 businesses, groups and individuals maintaining specific garden areas. The committee's goal is to find adopters to weed and prune all 70 planted locations. Small signs recognizing the adopters serve as advertising as well as incentive for others to participate. As more people take part in the routine care of the corridor's landscaping, its visual impact will be more consistent; and both residents and visitors will sense the welcoming feeling of community.



The Beautification Committee requests tax deductible donations to plant annual flowers at community areas like the *Walk 'n Weed* garden and the *Welcome to Raymond* signs, and possibly to provide some gloves and tools for volunteers. This is a great way for citizens to contribute to the project, even if they cannot weed and prune.

The main objectives of the Raymond Beautification Committee in 2009 are the preservation of existing landscaping along the "Gateway to Raymond" and the promotion of community awareness. We hope to find more people to adopt gardens and provide inspiration and support to those who have already adopted, so that the longevity of the Route 302 Improvement Project is ensured.

Respectfully submitted,

Raymond Beautification Committee,

Sharon Dodson, Mary Lentine, Mary McIntire, Eileen Stiles,
Christine McClellan, Michael McClellan, Fran Gagne and Elissa Gifford

Report of the Cemetery Committee

Dear Citizens of Raymond,



The restoration and repair to the stones in the Raymond Hill Cemetery was completed. The brush and bushes were cut and trimmed on and around the side and in back of the stone walls. A thank-you to Tacy Hartley for helping do this and for the use of her truck for hauling some of the brush.

We hope the weather will cooperate with us so we can work our scheduled days.

Note: If you sell or transfer a lot(s) in any of the town cemeteries, could you please let the Town



Office know? This would help us keep more accurate records when we have inquiries.

Our meetings are the fourth Thursday of every month except November, December, January, and February. Anyone who has ideas or would just like to come is welcome.

I would like to thank the members of the committee: Jean Carter, Elaine Walston, Kim Williams and Dick Sanborn for their time and energy.

Respectfully submitted,
Linda Alexander, Chair



Nubble Pond

Report of the Comprehensive Plan Implementation Committee

Dear Citizens of Raymond,

The focus of the work for this last phase of the implementation process has been directed at the commercial district. The Comprehensive Plan adopted by townspeople in 2004 encourages enhancement and development of the existing district by allowing a more dense and village-like area that remains within its current boundaries, as well as the creation of standards for development based on a vision that considers transportation, safety, aesthetics and protection of the environment.

The Comprehensive Plan Implementation Committee (CPIC) received funding from the town at the 2007 Town Meeting and was able to retain the services of Terrance J. DeWan and Associates, a landscape architecture firm, to develop design guidelines and standards necessary for the vision of the business district.

In April 2008, the guidelines were presented, in draft form, at a well-attended public forum, and participants included many business owners and interested citizens. After the presentation by Mr. DeWan and CPIC, the large group was divided into smaller ones in order to work through a series of exercises designed to evaluate public sentiment toward the proposed changes.

The information and feedback gathered from the attendees was instrumental for CPIC and Mr. DeWan in refining the design guidelines. After many months and even more meetings, the design guidelines and standards are in their final form., and CPIC is proud of the result.

In order to achieve the character of the business district, the design guidelines and standards require zoning changes that are complementary and inseparable, and support the redevelopment that is allowed for by the Comprehensive Plan. Site planning, architecture, landscaping, lighting, and signage are the five areas defined in the proposed design guidelines, and there are ordinance amendments associated with each area to be presented at the 2009 Town Meeting.

The CPIC has worked long and faithfully to bring to the people of Raymond a direction for the business district – a vision – that will create a more vital core, a place of lively year-round activity for both citizens and visitors to enjoy and one that will evoke civic pride.

Respectfully submitted,
Christine O. McClellan, Chair

Members: Mike Reynolds, Vice-Chairman/Board of Selectmen Representative

Jim Stephenson
Wayne Holmquist
Rick Dodson
Pat Cayer
John Rand, at large
Joe Sousa, at large
Hugh Coxe, Town Planner
Karen Strout, Recording Secretary

Report of the Conservation Commission

Dear Citizens of Raymond,

In 2008 the Raymond Conservation Commission prepared a draft final Open Space Plan, incorporating public input received in 2007 and updating our Natural Resource Inventory maps. We participated in Planning Board meetings, provided information to landowners who were concerned about residential development on Conesca Road and held a conservation hike on Pismire Mountain. We provided letters of support to Maine Inland Fisheries and Wildlife for land conservation around Morgan Meadow, and we supported the Maine Association of Conservation Commissions.

Land Conservation

During 2008 we continued our work with Raymond's contract planner Hugh Coxe, drafting our Open Space Plan which included the following natural resource maps:

- Recreation (trails, water access)
- Water Quality
- Habitat
- Public Health and Safety (wellhead protection areas, steep slopes, wetlands)
- Vistas Inventory
- Land Productivity
- Special Places
- Composites

The composite maps identify areas in town with the highest value natural resources – these areas should be the focus of conservation efforts. The plan provides tools and strategies for protecting the priority areas. At the end of 2008 the RCC had scheduled a meeting with the Selectmen to present the plan and the path forward, and we had scheduled a second public workshop to gain input from landowners. Our goal looking ahead is to present the Open Space Plan at the 2009 Town Meeting for a vote to adopt the plan.

The Open Space Reserve Fund balance as of January 20, 2009, was \$45,089.60. Raymond established the Fund in 2002 with a \$20,000 contribution; the RCC requested \$20,000 each year through 2006/2007. The requested amounts were reduced by the budgeting process most years, and a \$25,000 draw was taken from the fund in 2005 to support the Files parcel purchase (a 70 acre parcel that included the old town landfill). No request has been made in recent years, but the fund does receive proceeds from penalties when land is removed from Tree Growth. The fund was created to provide the critical town match that is required to leverage state and federal funds for land protection projects. The RCC encourages the town to protect its most important natural resources; these efforts will not only support our local economy but will ensure that future generations can enjoy some of what surrounds us today.

While Raymond's growth slowed in 2008, the current economy will likely present conservation opportunities. We need active and energetic members to push our efforts forward. For more information on RCC projects, contact a member or join us on the last Tuesday of each month (September through May) in the Broadcast Studio or at the Town Office at 7pm.

Respectfully submitted,

John Rand, Co-Chair
Elizabeth Algeo, Co-Chair
Kimberly Rowe, Secretary
Ben Severn
Jim Ross
Russ Hutchinson
Bill Fraser
Mark Gendron



Report of the Recycling Committee

Dear Raymond Recyclers,

Raymond's curbside recycling rate for 2008 remained about the same, with a total weight of 180 tons versus 172 for 2007. Hopefully this means an end to the decline in recycling from a peak in 2006. The slight increase this year could have been in part due to the extra education programs done by committee members and our curbside contractor's outreach program. Thanks go to Kathy Gillis, whose efforts at the elementary school have made the milk carton program a huge success.

We may be fortunate that we weren't able to transition to a "single stream" recycling program, where all recyclables go into one container that is later sorted at a materials recovery facility. This process allows more types of materials, and increases participation. However, with the global economy in recession, demand for some of these materials is so low that values are way down. For example, recycled newspaper prices are down 80% from September's prices. We are fortunate that we are still getting revenues from our pre-sorted materials, so your efforts in sorting and keeping recycling contamination down are paying off.

We'll have to see if a super-efficient single stream program might still pay off. For example, Brunswick has achieved recycling rates of 60% (over five times ours!) with their single stream program. At this level, the trash reduction factor becomes a cost-saver. A good thing to keep in mind is that recycling creates seven times as many jobs as trash disposal, so what's good for the environment is also good for the economy.

We should also recognize the other positive impacts of recycling. Even at our lower rates, this still represents over 2200 trees and 246,000 KWH of electricity saved! The tree and energy savings have a positive impact on climate change, which we can no longer ignore. A lot of people don't realize that the extent of the arctic ice sheet in summer has melted about 39% over the last 30 years. But don't plan on warmer temperatures for Maine. As colder waters from the arctic flow into the Atlantic, this tends to bury the Gulf Stream, which carries warmer weather northward. Some scientists predict cooler weather for the Northeast - perhaps even a mini ice age. Recycling, even if a small piece of the puzzle, is an easy solution to participate in.

Next year's report will have the input of Eileen Stiles, who has recently taken the position of co-chair. I'm thankful for her support. Thanks also to all those who participate in our curbside program and the corrugated cardboard drop-off. If you don't have a bin yet, they are available for a nominal fee at the Town Office, or you can use any similar container.

Happy recycling!

Respectfully submitted,
Phil Hammett



Report of the Technology Committee

Dear Citizens of Raymond,

This past year we have been preparing for the transition to remote support for much of the town's technology. A five-week experiment last summer showed us that this can work well not only in theory but in practice. Of course, there are several aspects to the success of such an endeavor, including the training in, and hand-off of, as many day-to-day tasks as possible to those who actually use those applications. These would include such items as basic troubleshooting, back-ups and minor upgrades. This leaves the Network Administrator better able to focus on hardware, security and network management, not to mention overall direction and architecture.

This past year, the Technology Department was responsible for:

- Geographic Information System (GIS) and Global Positioning System (GPS):
- for many kinds of data, including tax/property maps, wetlands, trails, public works, roads, zoning and Fire/Rescue support;
- e-mail for over 300 town users;
- fee-based web hosting and e-mail support for the Town of Casco;
- desktop computer support for all town employees and for the village library;
- server maintenance in support of all of the above, as well as licensing and upgrades of all peripheral equipment and software;
- production of the town's annual report, as well as specialized reports for various town committees, under the skillful management of Communications Coordinator John Hanley;
- the calendar system for all town entities, which can be used to automate facilities and staff scheduling, as well as to advertise upcoming events and meetings and to post past meetings' minutes;
- the town's website, including its ongoing upgrade and redesign;
- the cable broadcast station, including cameras, recording, playback and archiving. Many thanks to Sean Carr and the dedicated folks who make all of this work so well;
- the video surveillance cameras;
- design and implementation of a safe and secure network comprising all of the above and including upgrades, back-ups and threat analysis;
- numerous ad hoc requests for help, recommendations and consultations
- Remember that besides being rebroadcast periodically, all recorded meetings are available on DVDs, which can be borrowed from the Town Office or from the Village Library.

Technology Committee Looking for Volunteers

We're always looking for skilled technical people who are willing to donate some time or equipment to support the technological infrastructure of the Town of Raymond (see list above), which includes all municipal buildings, the library, and schools. Our particular opportunity at the moment is in the area of cable broadcasting. If you have any such skills, or are willing to learn, and can provide consistent support to or on the committee, please contact me at laurie.forbes@raymondmaine.org

Respectfully submitted,
Laurie Forbes, Chair

Committee members: Sean Carr, Dennis Dorey, Shaun Dudley, John Hanley, Duce Lester, Deb Murray, Kimberly Rowe, Kevin Woodbrey

<p>Mission: The promotion of democracy and community through understanding, knowledge and equity based on complete, accurate, accessible and timely information delivered by a variety of well-managed and cost-effective technology solutions.</p>
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Report of the Raymond-Casco Historical Society

Dear Citizens of Raymond and Casco,

The Raymond-Casco Historical Society was very busy in 2007-2008.

A new building was donated to the Society by Henry ("Skip") and Zeena Watkins and is located next to Watkins Farm on Route 302 in Casco. Construction of the building was completed in early 2008, and we prepared for the Grand Opening of our new museum for July 27, 2008.

Thanks to the Watkins's generous donation, the Raymond-Casco Historical Society is establishing a base of operations, which includes a museum, library, office facilities, a public meeting room; and it will serve as a public repository of items of historic significance to the towns of Raymond and Casco.

In June 2008, the membership approved a new domain name and website for the Raymond-Casco Historical Society at <http://www.raymondcascohistory.org>. Interested persons can now contact the society directly at info@raymondcascohistory.org.

Officers elected for 2007-2008 were:

- President, Wayne Holmquist
- Vice President, Elizabeth Bullen
- Secretaries, Carmen Lone & Pam Grant
- Treasurer, Betty McDermott
- Historian, Laurie Cook
- Custodian, Anne Miller

New members are always welcome. Regular meetings of the historical society are held on the second Monday of each month at the museum. Cost of an annual membership is \$15 for individuals and \$20 for families. Five dollars of each member's dues goes directly into the society's endowment fund. Annual membership dues and donations may be mailed to Raymond-Casco Historical Society, P.O. Box 1055, Raymond, ME 04071.

In addition to the above, we would also like to acknowledge and thank all of our members, officers, volunteers and friends of the society, as well as the Towns of Raymond and Casco, for their support and involvement.

Respectfully submitted,
Elizabeth Bullen

Report of the Raymond Extended Day

Dear Citizens of Raymond,

R.E.D. continues to offer Raymond residents before and after school care services. R.E.D. also offers the option of emergency drop-in care for the community, should an unforeseen situation occur. We are located at Raymond Elementary School and have been allotted a nice amount of space. The R.E.D. program provides a safe, appropriate and enriching environment for school-aged children before and after school and during the summer.



The program's 2008-2009 school year staff includes Kristi Curtis (Executive Director), Lynn Dumais, Vanessa Hand, Brooke Witham, Danielle Carr and Sue Carr serving as supervision staff. During the school year we offer a full arts and crafts and activities program and have access to the gymnasium and outdoor facilities.

R.E.D.'s 2008 summer program, which operated out of Jordan-Small Middle School, enrolled approximately 50 families (60 children). The R.E.D. summer program included several field trips: a Sea Dogs game, Funtown, Splashtown, and Sebago Lake State Park. During the summer program R.E.D. offers a hot lunch in addition to our breakfast and afternoon snack at no additional charge.

The program has proven to be a continued success, and we are looking forward to serving the community in years to come.

Respectfully submitted,
Kristi Curtis, R.E.D. Executive Director

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Sue Dexter, Secretary/Treasurer;
Carolyn Pollard, Member
Tracy Callahan, Member
Julie Gardner, Member



Report of the Flag Committee

Dear Citizens of Raymond,

Flags came down after November 11th. Several flags were missing, poles snapped off, and 21 flags had to be burned due mainly to severe fading of the blue field or irreparable tears. The original brackets have deteriorated this year.



There are several moving parts that break apart or rust in place.

While visiting family in Wisconsin recently, I found a single-piece solid brass flag holder. It is a dollar cheaper than what we are currently using - the two-piece system. After talking with Nathan and his crew at Public Works, it was decided to get ten of these heavy brass flag holders and see how they hold up as replacements.

The flags are currently being washed by Raymond Laundry. The total number of flags around town is 110. There are 62 in the lights along the walkway and 6 smaller flags at the crosswalks of Rt. 121 and Rt. 85. These flags get dirtier due to the heavy traffic. The other larger flags on telephone poles seem to last longer and are cleaner. We are getting three to four seasons from most of the flags currently.

Respectfully submitted,
Eileen Stiles



Report of the Raymond Mentoring Partnership

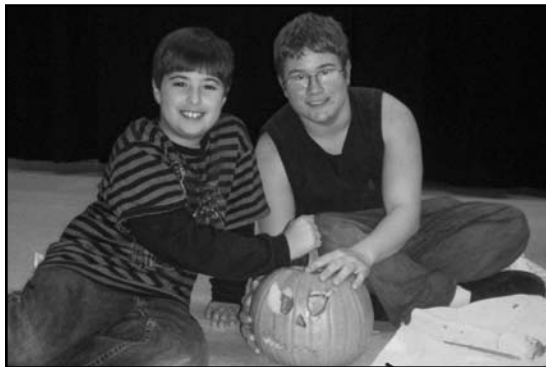
Dear Citizens of Raymond,

Raymond Mentoring Partnership (RMP) is in its eighth year of increasing the number of caring adults in the lives of Raymond's young people, particularly those in need of additional friendship and support. Since its inception in 2000, we are proud to have made a positive impact on the lives of more than 160 children in Raymond through our mentoring programs.

Our 08/09 mentoring year began with a memorable afternoon at Camp Wawenock in Raymond, where mentoring pairs participated in a variety of outdoor activities designed to develop and strengthen mentoring relationships. In November, the pairs once again enjoyed a pool party at Colonial Mast Campground, followed by our annual spaghetti dinner for family and friends held at JSMS. Program participants were busy with a variety of activities throughout the winter months, including snowshoeing, sledding, making pretzels, playing basketball, and working on crafts. We now look forward to our annual trip to Sheri Gagnon Park in May to plant flowers in the playground gardens and to our mentoring celebration at Camp Hinds in early June.

The Kids 2 Kids program is now in its 6th year of matching middle school 7th and 8th graders with younger students from RES. The "Bigs" began the year by participating in a variety of teambuilding activities, including a ropes course hosted by Camp Hinds. The JSMS students have planned a multitude of fun activities for the "Littles" throughout the year, such as sledding, making smoothies, making valentines, playing games, and making pretzels. A trip to the Maine Wildlife Park is planned for late May.

In keeping with our mission to promote healthy living choices for the youth of our community, RMP recently received a \$675 grant from the Healthy Maine Partnership to introduce the "5-2-1-0" initiative for healthy living to our program participants. The 5-2-1-0 message is sponsored by the local Healthy Maine Partnership and the Let's Go project, and addresses the need for healthy eating, minimal screen time, daily physical activity, and minimal sugary drinks. After receiving an overview of the message, RMP program participants will take part in planning our weekly snacks and teaching their school community about the basic elements of the 5-2-1-0 initiative.



RMP had been funded for the past 6 years through a grant from the Office of Substance Abuse. Unfortunately, our organization was ineligible to reapply for OSA funding when the grant expired in late 2008. While we have adequate funding to continue the program through May of 2009, RMP is now faced with the task of raising roughly \$30,000 in a difficult economic climate to continue operations into the 09/10 school year. We are very thankful to those individuals and businesses who have supported us thus far in our efforts to reach this fundraising goal, and we will continue to work vigorously in the months ahead to ensure that our program continues beyond 2009.

RMP would like to take this opportunity to thank our amazing mentors who volunteer their time each week to make a child feel special.

We continue to have a number of students who would benefit from a mentor, so please consider giving an hour each week to make a difference in the life of a local child.

Respectfully submitted,
Candace Woolston, Director

Report of the Raymond Parent-Teacher Organization

Dear Citizens of Raymond,

The Raymond PTO's mission is to advocate for children, enrich educational programs, support faculty and staff in the work they do, and collaborate with community organizations.

We have continued to work to achieve our mission through sponsored activities throughout this past year. As a PTO, 100% all membership fees are kept within our group and in turn, our town. All of our programs and funding support would not have been possible without the generous support of the Raymond community. Through programs like Box Tops, the Scholastic Book Fair, Hannaford Helps Schools and ink cartridge recycling, as well as membership fees and donations, the PTO has continued to help fund so many programs. It should be noted that due to the budget constraints placed on the Raymond schools, this year all QSP and Innisbrook monies earned remained completely within each school, none being shared with the PTO. The PTO felt it made more sense to keep those monies entirely in the hands of those who raised the amounts, where it would do the most good.

We started the year, once again, with the welcome back breakfast for the staff at both Raymond Elementary School and Jordan-Small Middle School. It was decided, as the school budget became tighter and thus the needs within the schools and curriculum grew greater, that we would not continue with some of the other hospitality "extras" like this, as we have done in the past. That did include the Teacher/Parent Breakfast.

Once again we supported the fourth grade field trip to Susan Curtis, with funding of \$1,000, and the ever-popular Camp Kieve for the fifth grade. Both programs are highly successful in the gaining of knowledge about the outdoors, peers, and self-confidence. We were also happy to fund the return of the Chewonki Owls for the sixth grade. What a wonderful experience, and it flows so well with the "owl project" part of the curriculum. We also funded \$1,350 to the seventh grade for the Challenger Learning Center, a tie to the astronomy curriculum.

It was the PTO's great pleasure to assist in funding a local Girl Scout in her final project for her top badge award, as she planned and flawlessly implemented a bike safety rally, including free new helmets for those who needed them. Also, under the "Collaborating with the Community" heading, funding was made available for the Raymond Village Library's highly anticipated Pajama Story Time with Jody Fein.

As Raymond students continue on to various high schools, the PTO does feel it necessary to continue to support them. It is in this nature that we supported Windham High School Chamber Singers, as well as Windham High School Band students from Raymond, in their respective trips to New York City. It was with that same thought that we supported a Poland High School student from Raymond in her school trip to France as part of her advanced French curriculum.

We also continued to award two \$1,000 scholarships to graduating Raymond high school seniors. The PTO awards two scholarships, not based on financial need but on academic excellence, as well as the students' involvement in non-academic activities and most importantly on community service. This year's recipients were Elizabeth Stevenson and Alexandra Gordan. Both students were involved in extra-curricular activities and work in the community while maintaining exceptional academic levels. Every year the PTO is amazed to see the levels of accomplishment and amazing growth in these students.

The PTO created a third scholarship, in memory and celebration of the life of Julie Orsini. Julie Orsini was a mother, wife, daughter, treasured colleague and dedicated member of the Raymond PTO. She worked as an educational technician in the Raymond Elementary School. This scholarship is a tribute to Julie's incredible dedication, enthusiasm, humor and understanding. This \$1,000 scholarship was created to provide financial support to a needy student who might not meet the criteria of our other PTO scholarships, but who had overcome significant barriers in his/her personal life and had sought to further his/her education. This year's recipient of the Julie Orsini Memorial Scholarship is Amy McIntire.

Report of the Raymond Parent-Teacher Organization

As we remind ourselves that our children are indeed our future, we are proud to assist, plan, and continue to create programs that support the staff, parents and in turn the children of this community as they grow, thrive, and achieve excellence. We look forward to continuing this work in the year ahead.

Respectfully submitted,
Alizah Shriver, PTO President

Report of the Raymond Recreation Association

Dear Citizens of Raymond,

Mission: Raymond Recreation Association (RRA) is dedicated to promoting recreational programs for the benefit of the children of the Town of Raymond by engaging exclusively in charitable and educational purposes.

Philosophy: The volunteer board of directors believes in the value of basic sports instruction and recreation for all children. Our program emphasis is on lifetime sports as well as recreational participation in team sports.

History: Parents and educators founded RRA in 1966 as a private, not-for-profit organization. In 1976 the organization was granted 501(c)(3) federal tax-exempt status. The Wednesday afternoon alpine ski program and the American Red Cross summer swim programs have been offered to Raymond children since the RRA began.

Growth: Through the years, RRA has responded to ideas and efforts of parents by beginning, discontinuing or refining operating programs. Currently RRA offers opportunities in 12 programs to children in kindergarten through high school with most opportunities for children up to 6th grade. Volunteers are needed to assist with all programs as well as administrative work. Call Pat at 655-4657 to offer your assistance.

Funding: Funding of programs is primarily dependent upon participant fees. With the goal of "Every Child a Swimmer," RRA sponsors and greatly subsidizes the expenses for a Summer Red Cross Learn to Swim Program. Through our Christmas citrus fruit sale we netted over \$1100 for the 2009 summer swim program. With strong partnerships with the school department and town government, with all-volunteer leadership and with very little overhead expense, our board of directors strives to keep the program fees reasonable and affordable for all. Monetary donations are gratefully received.



Report of the Raymond Recreation Association

Programs 2006 -2007:	# Participants	Dates	Leadership
SUMMER SWIM PROGRAM	56	July	Kim Plummer , Coordinator Jessie Howard, WSI
WED AFTERNOON SKIING @RES	45	Jan – Mar	Beth Clark
WED AFTERNOON SKIING@ JSMS	34	Jan – Mar	Brenda Olsen, Lori Dibiase
FRIDAY NIGHT SKIING	72	Jan – Feb	Peter Walgreen, Lorna Dunn
KARATE	40	Weds thru school year	Bushido Karate Dojo Center
TENNIS	20	Weds in May	Pat Smith
BASKETBALL	100	Dec – March	Dave McGowan
SNOWSHOEING	10	Jan – Feb	Pat Smith
SOCCER	120	Sept – Oct	Stacy Richmond
BABYSITTING		Not offered	Sue Ellen Gendron
CROSS COUNTRY RUNNING	30	Spring	Bob Payne
DRAMA		Not offered	

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Program Directors are listed above

Respectfully submitted,
Pat Smith, President



Priscilla Barber and Pat Smith supporting Citrus Sale.



Report of the Veterans' Memorial Committee

Dear Citizens of Raymond,

Again, the Veterans' Memorial Committee would like to thank the residents of Raymond for their continued generous support of the Veterans' Memorial Park.

A major addition last year was a granite bench donated by the Cole Foundation in Bangor, Maine.

All year the ladies of the Hawthorne Garden Club and the 302 Beautification Committee have worked diligently to maintain the flowers. A special thanks go to them.

Our work is ongoing. Pavers can still be purchased. Also, money donations will be greatly appreciated, as we continually buy flowers each season and the flags need replacing periodically. A wonderful way to remember a deceased loved one would be to make a monetary donation to the fund in his or her memory.

More information is available at the Town Office or call me at 655-4193.

Respectfully submitted,
Howard Stiles



Report of the Raymond Village Library

Dear Citizens of Raymond,

Your remarkable response to our Annual Appeal, along with grants and other fundraisers, was responsible for securing 60% of our \$70,000 operating budget. The remaining 40% was supported by the annual town appropriation, and we appreciate every dollar given to help us serve such a wide range of ages and interests. In these economic times, your library remains a great value.

As a non-profit organization, we've worked hard to make the most of our resources through efficient and frugal spending. Searching discount stores for the best deals on books, DVDs and audio materials saves us money; for example, a recent purchase of over 100 new, quality books cost us an average of \$5 a piece. In addition, we've gained significant savings from patrons who donate materials once they are finished using them.

Our numerous volunteers are also the foundation of our cost effectiveness. They keep materials flowing in and out and organize the collection; they run our fundraisers, such as the annual plant, book and holiday sales. Volunteers keep you connected through the RVL e-newsletter and other publicity, run our summer reading program for children, facilitate book discussion groups, and manage the business of operating the library. Hundreds of volunteer hours and generous in-kind donations help us keep our costs streamlined while allowing us to provide quality services comparable to larger libraries.

The library has more to offer than just the latest bestsellers -- we can help you use the collection and MARVEL! information databases to find current, reliable resources on important aspects of life: health, energy use, politics, education. As we begin automating our collection this year, access to materials will become easier and faster. And if we don't have what you need right at the library, we can get it for you through the inter-library loan system. We even provide drop-off service if you are unable to get to us in person. Remember, too, that the library offers free wireless Internet access, available 24/7.

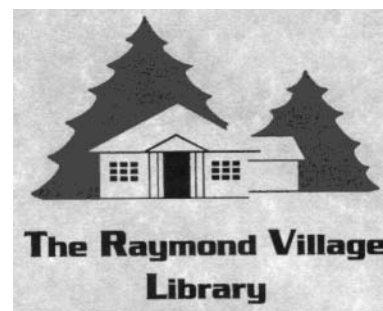
The library can provide another much-needed element in this electronic age: social contact with others in town. Our popular Baby, Toddler and Preschool story programs have helped parents form lasting friendships while inspiring their children's love of language and books. Whether you are new to town or have lived here for years, this is a place to meet and connect with your neighbors.

Looking ahead, we have revised and updated our Strategic Plan to guide how we do business for the next three years. Our Board of Trustees and staff will use this plan, along with the Maine Public Library Standards, to continue delivering the best possible service for our community.

We are here for you. Come visit us Monday, Wednesday or Sunday from 10am-7pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Raymond Village Library Board of Trustees

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Report of the Raymond Waterways Protective Association

Dear Citizens of Raymond,

The mission of RWPA is to protect and improve pond and lake water quality and foster watershed stewardship. In 2008 RWPA increased milfoil remediation efforts at 6 sites on Sebago Lake, conducted invasive plant surveys on all Raymond's lakes, continued boat inspections and boater education at the public boat launches, managed two federal grants to improve water quality on Panther Pond and Raymond Pond, and successfully applied for federal funding to support Phase II of the Panther Pond Conservation Project.

RWPA's accomplishments in 2008 show how important our work is to Raymond:

Invasive Plant Management & Prevention

- Hired divers and organized volunteers to remove 51 yards (~ 17 dump truck loads) of Variable milfoil from Dingley Brook, Bay View Estates I & II, Port Harbor Marine, and the Jordan River.
- In our sixth season of milfoil management at Dingley Brook, we completed one maintenance dive to remove all new growth of invasive milfoil.
- Continued a management plan with Port Harbor Marine to clear the entire channel of invasive milfoil. Divers removed 85% of the plant in 2008 but the canal experienced significant re-growth during the summer, which will require additional work in 2009.
- Inspected 2477 boats at four launch sites, while educating boaters on the risk of invasive plants. Removed invasive Variable milfoil from one boat exiting Sebago Lake.
- Completed shoreline surveys of all Raymond's lakes: Crescent Lake, Notched Pond, Panther Pond, Raymond Pond, and Thomas Pond. No invasive plants were found in these five lakes, and known locations of invasive milfoil were documented on Sebago Lake.



Suction Harvester Used to Remove Variable Milfoil at Bay View Estates.



RWPA Courtesy Boat Inspector Checks Boat for Plants at the Sebago Lake Boat Launch.

Watershed Stewardship

- Completed Phase I of the Panther Pond Conservation Project, a \$43,945 federal 319 grant project aimed to significantly reduce erosion and improve the water quality of Panther Pond. Major project outcomes include the following:

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Report of the Raymond Waterways Protective Association

- A total of 46 erosion sites were addressed through this project. The goal of the project was 42 or 50% of the sites identified in the watershed survey.
- Reduced the estimated pollutant load identified in the watershed survey by 70% (41.13 tons sediment/year) in addition to addressing one high impact site not identified in the survey, estimated at an additional reduction of 32 tons sediment/year.
- Outreach included four hands-on workshops and three tours of completed sites.
- RWPA, Panther Pond Association, watershed residents, and the Town of Raymond generated more than triple the required matching local funds for the project: \$127,000 in local match in addition to a state grant of \$17,700.
- Applied for and received \$63,289 in federal funds for Phase II of the Panther Pond Conservation Project to address the remaining identified erosion sites. Our proposal was ranked #1 in the state. The project will start in the spring of 2009.
- Continued efforts on the Raymond Pond Conservation Project (2007- 2009) aimed to significantly reduce erosion and improve the water quality of Raymond Pond.
- Assisted the Crescent Lake community with forming the Crescent Lake Watershed Association.

We would like to thank the volunteers, local lake and road associations, and the Town of Raymond for their financial support, time, and effort to protecting our lakes. Their support is essential to the success of all of our projects.

If you have questions about any of our projects or are interested in volunteering, please contact us via phone at 207-671-3329 or e-mail lakes@raymondmaine.org.

Respectfully Submitted,
Noralee Raymond, RWPA Executive Director
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Raymond Pond – Charlie Chapman
Thomas Pond – Vacant
Gloria Metz
Peter Wilson



Raymond Pond - Volunteers Install Rubber Blade Diverter to Direct Water into Vegetation.

Panther Pond - Volunteers Spread Erosion Control Mulch to Cover Bare Soil and Create Lake Friendly Path to the Lake.



Panther Pond - Volunteers Plant Vegetation to Extend Shoreline Vegetated Buffer.

Report of the Tassel Top Board of Directors

Dear Citizens of Raymond,

In the summer of 2008 Tassel Top Park enjoyed another very successful season. Ranger Sue in her end of the season report credits everyone who participated as the reason for success. She and her very capable staff with her right hand man, Barry Alden, were the major contributing factors.

Many improvements were made to the buildings, the grounds around the cabins, the beach, the paths, the nature trails, and the snack shack and area. Major changes and additions to the buildings were: a new half bath in the main cabin; the bath house was completely gutted, the roof raised over the shower, a new shower and vanity installed, and the walls were covered with tongue and groove pine; the two



sleeping cabins were also gutted, rewired and tongue and groove pine applied to the walls; the snack shack had a wall removed for more ventilation as other windows and doors were changed for the same reason.

Other improvements included installing four by six timbers to help with erosion control between the paths and beach, fencing was put up to encourage people to stay on the paths, five new six foot tables were added to the beach, the grills were painted and stone dust was added to the path along the beach that made for minimal maintenance. Gardens around the gatehouse were expanded and flowers and lilacs were planted around the grounds for beautification.

Rentals were up this year with seven weekend off season rentals and nine weeks rented during the season. Eight weeks are spoken for in the '09 season. There were 178 rental inquiries which are about 30 more than last year. While rentals were up attendance was down. 12,657 came to the beach this season, down from 13,662 in '07. The long stretch of rain we had in August certainly worked against the park having another record year. 103 passes were sold in '08.

The Board greatly appreciates the work of Chief Ranger Sue LaMarre, her staff: Barry Alden, Charlie Scribner, Elliot LaMarre, Emily LaMarre, Jeff Larocque, Corey Leslie, Lauren Weeks, Lucas Cole, Meg LaMarre, and Sally Gorrill. Also the Board thanks Don Willard, Nathan White and his staff Nancy Yates, Louise Lester, Rita Theriault, Dennis Cole and Dana Desjardins.



Operating dates for '09 season are: May 23, 24, 30, 31, June 6, 7, and 13, 14 and then daily through Labor Day.

Bob Metz, Chairman
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Report of State Representative John C. Robinson



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February 2009

Dear Friends & Neighbors:

Once more, lawmakers are confronted with the daunting task of balancing the State budget after excessive spending and declining revenues have resulted in a shortfall exceeding \$830 million for the upcoming biennium. Mortgage foreclosures, weakening major financial institutions that are prompting talks of nationalization, plant closings, layoffs, stagnant wages, and volatile energy costs are all factors that make the challenge of resolving these monetary chasms even more difficult. Lessons learned from the past need to be coupled with new, innovative ideas in order to halt the downward spiral we are enduring. I look forward to joint collaboration with my colleagues from across the aisle to collectively build a bridge of restored hope and optimism.

With the passage of President Obama's stimulus package, Maine is scheduled to receive roughly \$900 million as its share of the total \$787 billion plan. After receiving a more detailed summary of the monies from Finance Commissioner Ryan Low, it appears that there is clear focus on accountability and transparency as these funds are allocated. Health and human services, education, transportation, and labor are the major governmental segments that will be receiving most of this one-time capital influx. Rest assured, I will be working to ensure the federal support is truly used to create jobs, revitalize investment, and applied to one-time debt, rather than funding new or ongoing programs. In spite of the faith that the President and many members of congress have in this stimulus' ability to turn our economy around, I share the same skepticism of many critics, since my impending outlook contains steadfast concern for the mounting debt we are passing along to our children and grandchildren.

It is unfortunate that bad policies and decisions made by both the private and public sectors have caused this turmoil. Goals for the times to come should focus on: diversifying our energy portfolio so as to diminish our reliance on foreign oil; shoring up our transportation infrastructure to increase its efficiency and alleviate the strain already placed upon it; refocusing our lessons to young people with a concentration on what we are teaching rather than how we are teaching; and, lastly, in reference to the criminal justice system, more needs to be done to deter violators of the law as opposed to concentrating on rehabilitation, restitution, and retribution. By placing an emphasis on the fundamental principles to which government was established, inept judgments can be redeemed, thus revitalizing our spirit of entrepreneurial ingenuity.

Thank you for the honor of working on your behalf in Augusta. The experience is one full of rewards as well as learning, compromise, leadership, and much responsibility.

Sincerely,

John C. Robinson
State Representative

Report of State Senator Bill Diamond

124th Legislature

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Spring 2009

Dear Friends & Neighbors:

It is an honor to represent you, the citizens of Raymond as your State Senator. The 124th Legislative session is well underway, as is our challenging journey to close a budget gap that could reach \$1 billion. These are tough financial times and we must make some hard decisions. Already, this two year state budget cycle, which begins on July 1, 2009, is \$200 million less than our previous budget.

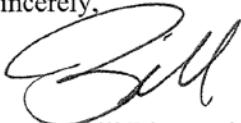
The budget that Governor Baldacci has presented evenly distributes cuts across state government and spreads the burden out, rather than focusing it on any individual department. It also does not increase any taxes or withdraw any funds from reserves. As Senate Chair of the Appropriations and Financial Affairs Committee, I have been working with the committee to find ways for both Democrats and Republicans to work together as we meet this challenge head-on. The committee's goal is to ensure that the values of the people of Maine are reflected in the budget.

As you gather today to organize the governance for the Town of Raymond, think about how public officials at all levels can work together on those issues that are most important to you and your family. I encourage you to take a trip to Augusta, tour the State House and witness the legislative process first hand. It is your State House and your government; I welcome you to come and learn more about how you can make a difference.

Once again, thank you for giving me the opportunity to represent our district in this great state, and more importantly, to serve you. Please know that I will work hard for our community.

I wish you and yours a healthy and happy 2009!

Sincerely,



Senator Bill Diamond
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Report of the United States Senator Susan M. Collins

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January 9, 2009

Dear Citizens of Raymond:

In 2008, Mainers entrusted me to serve another term in the U.S. Senate. I am deeply honored and pledge to continue to work with my colleagues, both old and new, and with President Obama to forge bipartisan solutions to the economic crisis and the many other challenges facing our nation. I appreciate this opportunity to report on some highlights of my recent work in the U.S. Senate.

The number one priority continues to be to strengthen our struggling economy. We must look at additional ways to get our economy back on track. Last summer, I introduced an economic recovery bill, which included a proposal for \$50 billion in infrastructure funding to create jobs and improve our nation's aging transportation infrastructure. Anyone who drives in Maine recognizes the deteriorating state of many of our roads and bridges. Investing in our infrastructure not only creates jobs but also leaves communities with lasting and needed assets. My proposal also includes \$1 billion in additional funding for the Workforce Investment Act and tax incentives to help small businesses and to encourage energy conservation.

One of the energy provisions of the legislation was signed into law last year. It provides a \$300 tax credit to help individuals purchase clean-burning wood pellet stoves in order to provide an affordable alternative for heating their homes.

Soaring energy prices throughout much of 2008 highlight the critical need for our nation to achieve energy independence. As a nation, we should set a goal of energy independence by the year 2020—an ambitious goal that will require a multi-faceted approach, but one that can be achieved through resolve and commitment. I joined a bipartisan group of 20 Senators that has developed a comprehensive bill to expand production of American energy, promote conservation, and spur the development of alternative sources of energy. To immediately mitigate the effects of high prices, I fought to increase funding for programs that help our seniors and low-income families such as the Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) and the Weatherization Assistance Program.

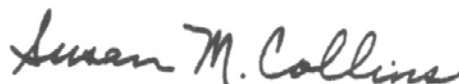
As the Ranking Member of the Senate Homeland Security Committee, I am committed to ensuring that our nation is as safe as possible and that government is prepared to respond to disasters. Maine certainly has had its share of natural disasters during the past year. This year, my homeland security priorities include renewing a port security law that I coauthored and strengthening security at labs containing dangerous pathogens.

Other priorities include supporting the vital work being done at Bath Iron Works, the Portsmouth Naval Shipyard, and other defense-related businesses throughout Maine – all of which are making significant contributions to our national security. We must also continue to improve and expand access to affordable health care – particularly in our rural communities – expand aid for education, protect our environment.

While this is just a brief summary of my recent work in Washington over the past several months, please know that I will continue to work as hard as possible representing Maine in the U.S. Senate. I am grateful for many blessings, including the opportunity to continue representing Raymond and Maine in the United States Senate.

If ever I can be of assistance to you, please contact my Portland office at 207-780-3575, or visit my website at <http://collins.senate.gov>.

Sincerely,



Susan M. Collins
United States Senator

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Report of the United States Representative Thomas H. Allen

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January 1, 2009

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Dear Friends:

I am pleased to have this opportunity to extend my greetings to the residents of the Town of Raymond as part of the Annual Town Report.

For the past 12 years, it was my great privilege serve the people of Raymond as your Representative in the U.S. House of Representatives. I enjoyed every moment of this experience. I look forward to continuing my service and ties with the people of Maine and this region in new ways.

Your new Representative, Chellie Pingree, is a dedicated, knowledgeable, effective and compassionate leader. I am confident that she will represent the people of Raymond and Maine exceptionally well.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Tom Allen".

Tom Allen
Member of Congress

THA/jc

Report of the United States Senator Olympia J. Snowe

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COAST GUARD SUBCOMMITTEE
FINANCE
INTELLIGENCE
RANKING MEMBER, SMALL BUSINESS

Dear Friends:

I want to thank you for the opportunity to offer warm greetings to the Town of Raymond as we begin this New Year. As a nation, as a state, and as many individual towns and cities, we face historic challenges together. At this time when we consider where we have been, and most especially the year to come, I appreciate this opportunity to share with you my thoughts on some of my goals and priorities for 2009.

Indisputably, our economy is the foremost challenge facing us today. We are confronted by both an economic crisis with a recession that has already lasted for more than a year, and a financial crisis, the magnitude of which has reached monumental proportions. With the economy having contracted 0.5 percent in the third quarter of 2008 alone and the national unemployment rate having surged to nearly a 16 year high of 7.2 percent, there is no question we are in a painful downturn. In Maine, unemployment rose to 6.3 percent in November, and during that month alone, new unemployment claims increased 23 percent from the same period last year, while ongoing and emergency claims were up 74 percent.

That is why I have made recommendations with respect to a critically-needed economic stimulus plan in letters and phone calls to President-elect Obama, Vice President-elect Biden, and Senate Leadership. Specifically, I am urging an extension of unemployment benefits; an increase in federal funding for food stamps given their use is reaching an all-time high; increases in federal funding for the Federal Medical Assistance Percentages as Medicaid remains the second largest component of state budgets; and a substantial investment in infrastructure projects, including water purification and wastewater treatment projects.

Moreover, as Ranking Member of the Senate Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship, I have introduced legislation to help restore economic growth by thawing frozen credit markets so that small businesses can continue to be the driving force of our nation's economy. My bill, the *10 Steps to a Main Street Recovery Act*, incorporates ten achievable, common sense measures that could be implemented immediately.

Additionally, I will continue to champion the New Markets Tax Credit that has had such a tremendous impact here in Maine. For example, Bangor Savings Bank and Coastal Enterprises, Inc. have developed an initiative that utilizes New Market Tax Credits – which provide investments for businesses of all sizes in low-income communities – to fund a loan pool for small- and medium-sized businesses at below market rates. This program has proved so successful that, in addition to recently helping secure the largest New Market Tax Credit allocation of any organization in the entire country, it could become a model nationally on how to bring New Market Tax Credits to small businesses in low-income communities. These efforts to spur capital investment in Maine's business community demonstrate what can be accomplished when local entities work together to support economic development.

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Warrant for the Election of Officers

TOWN OF RAYMOND

WARRANT FOR THE ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Tuesday, June 9, 2009

To: Nathan White, Resident of Raymond, or Town Constable in the County of Cumberland and State of Maine:

Greetings:

In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Raymond, qualified by law to vote in Town affairs to meet at Jordan-Small Middle School gymnasium in said Town on Tuesday the ninth day of June A.D. 2009 at 7:00 am then and there to act on the following articles:

ARTICLE 1 To elect a moderator to preside at said meeting.

ARTICLE 2 To elect all necessary Town Officers and budget referendum by secret ballot.

The polls for voting on Article 2 will open at 7:00 AM and close at 8:00 PM.

The Registrar of Voters will hold office hours while the polls are open to correct any error in or change a name or address on the voting list, to accept the registration of any person who is not registered as a voter. A person who is not registered as a voter may not vote in any election.

Given under our hands this 5th day of May A.D. 2009.

_____ Joseph Bruno

_____ Dana Desjardins

_____ Mark Gendron

_____ Michael Reynolds

_____ Lawrence Taylor

SELECTMEN OF RAYMOND

Sample Ballot

Town of Raymond
Ballot for Municipal Election
June 9, 2009

Mark a cross ☐ in the square to the left of the names of the person(s) for whom you wish to vote. If you wish to write in a candidate be sure to write in his/her entire name and check the box.

For the Office of Selectman, Assessor and Overseer of the Poor (3 year term):
Vote for no more than ONE (1)

- ☐ BRUNO, JOSEPH
- ☐ _____

For the Office of Budget/Finance Committee Member (3 year term):
Vote for no more than THREE (3)

- ☐ ACCARDI, SUSAN
- ☐ GOSSELIN, ROBERT
- ☐ _____
- ☐ _____
- ☐ _____

**MAINE MODERATOR'S MANUAL
RULES OF PROCEDURE
(Revised 2005)**

TYPE/MOTION	SECOND REQUIRED	DEBATABLE	AMENDABLE	VOTE REQUIRED	RECONSID- ERABLE	RANK/NOTES
PRIVILEGED						
Adjourn (sine die)	Y	N	N	M	N	
Recess or Adjourn to Time Certain	y	Y	Y	M	N	2
SUBSIDIARY						
Previous Question	Y	N	N	2/3	N	3
Limit Debate	Y	N	Y	2/3	Y	4
Postpone to Time Certain	Y	Y	Y	M	Y	5
Amend	Y	Y	Y	M	Y	6
INCIDENTAL						
Appeal	Y	Y	N	M	Y	A, B, D
Fix the Method of Voting	Y	N	N	M	N	B
Withdraw a Motion	N	N	N	M	See Notes	B, C, D
MAIN						
Main Motion	Y	Y	Y	M	Y	
Reconsider	Y	See Notes	N	M	N	A, D, E
Take up						
Out of Order	Y	Y	N	2/3	N	

Y - Yes, this action is required or permitted.

N - No, this action cannot be taken or is unnecessary.

M - Majority vote required

A - This motion may be made when another motion has the floor.

B - Same rank as motion out of which it arises.

C - Only a prevailing negative vote on this motion may be reconsidered.

D - This motion has the same rank, and is debatable to the same extent, as the motion being reconsidered.

E - Only a person who voted on the prevailing side may make this motion.

None of the motions in the table should interrupt a speaker.

This table does not include the statutory procedure for challenge (to question a vote), mentioned in the "Notes for Voters" and discussed in the Maine Moderator's Manual.

Warrant for Town Meeting - Addendum

Proposed Raymond Planning Board Warrant Articles

To be voted on at Raymond Town Meeting – June 2, 2009

At Town Meeting to be held this June 2, 2009, the citizens of Raymond will be asked to vote on three (3) warrant articles pertaining to proposed amendments to the Land Use and Shoreland Zoning ordinances as well as the Land Use map. Set out below is the text of the question for each article, followed by a brief description of the proposed amendment. The questions include a reference to the ordinance provision proposed for amendment.

The proposed amendment language is not included here but is available at the town office and on the town website (http://www.raymondmaine.org/government/planning_board/default.htm).

[Note: The use of the word “Article” within the ordinance does not indicate a separate warrant article.]

ARTICLE 4: Shall Article 2, Section A of the Town of Raymond Land Use Ordinance, as adopted May 21, 1994 and amended through December 2, 2008, and Section 9.A, Section 13, Section 14, Section 15, and Section 17 of the Town of Raymond Shoreland Zoning Provisions, as adopted May 21, 1994 and amended through December 2, 2008, be further amended by adding the underscored language and deleting the language in strikeover type, as shown below and shall the Land Use Map adopted December 2, 2008 as part of the Land Use Ordinance of the Town of Raymond, Maine be superseded and replaced by a new Land Use Regulation Map being that map entitled Town of Raymond, Maine Official Land Use Map prepared by New England Planning Concepts and filed in the office of the Town Clerk on May 5, 2009 [date of warrant] and being that map that includes Stream Protection (SP) districts?

Description: The proposed amendments would establish a Stream Protection District in the Land Use Ordinance and the Shoreland Zoning Ordinance. The proposed Stream Protection District would replace the LRR1 (Limited Residential/ Recreation) Districts currently surrounding streams that are subject to Shoreland Zoning. The proposed revisions to the Land Use Map would depict 100 ft. Stream Protection districts around mapped perennial streams and would replace the current 600 ft. Limited Residential Recreational 1 (LRR1) district around those streams. The revised map would also provide the most current information about the location of streams based on the most current mapping from the state.

The Stream Protection District would consist of land areas within 100 feet of the normal high water line of a stream – defined as a perennial free flowing body of water. Land Uses similar to those in the existing Resource Protection District would be permitted in the Stream Protection District. The minimum lot size standards of the underlying zoning district in which the Stream Protection are located would apply to land within the Stream Protection Districts.

Key changes:

- Establishes a Stream Protection (SP) District on land within 100 feet of the normal high water line of a perennial free flowing stream
- SP would replace the Limited Residential/ Recreation (LRR1) Districts currently surrounding streams subject to Shoreland Zoning
- The minimum lot size of the underlying zoning district in which the SP districts are located would apply to land within the SP districts.
- Land Use Map would depict most current information about the location of streams and show a 100 ft. SP district

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ARTICLE 3: Shall Article 4, Section F, Article 9, section C, and Article 9 section L of the Town of Raymond Land Use Ordinance, as adopted May 21, 1994 and amended through December 2, 2008, be further amended by adding the underscored language and deleting the language in strikeover type, as shown below?

Description: The proposed amendments would revise some dimensional standards and some use standards for the Commercial District, revise some of the off-street parking standards and make significant changes to the sign regulations.

The proposed amendments for the Commercial District would eliminate “mixed-use single-family residential/commercial buildings” but would permit mixed-use buildings, where the upper floors could contain dwelling units or commercial uses, provided the ground floor contains only commercial uses. The amendments would also eliminate the minimum lot size requirement (currently 20,000 s.f.), eliminate the front setback requirement (currently 60 feet), and permit a maximum building height of 3 stories for buildings located on the eastern side of Route 302 (currently 2.5 stories).

The proposed amendments to the off-street parking requirements would update the standards by slightly reducing the amount of parking required for most commercial uses. They would also permit off-street parking requirements to be met on site or off site so long as it is within 300 feet of the principal building, is not separated by Route 302, and any sharing of spaces will not create a shortage of parking spaces for any uses. The amendments would also allow a reduction in the number of spaces actually constructed provided the required number of spaces could be constructed on the property while meeting all other space requirements for the site.

The proposed amendments to the sign regulations include the addition of definitions pertaining to signage, the establishment of sign permitting procedures, new or revised regulations for certain types of signs, and provisions for the discontinuance and removal of non-conforming signs.

The amendments would require anyone proposing to install a new sign or modify an existing sign to file an application and obtain a permit unless the type of sign meets one of the exceptions listed in the proposed amendments. Exceptions generally are smaller signs or signs not typically thought of as exterior advertising signs and include political signs, name signs, real estate signs, and sandwich boards. Sign permit applications for signs subject to site plan review or which would be located in the Commercial District would be reviewed by the Planning Board, while temporary signs and any signs not requiring Planning Board review would be reviewed by the code officer.

The amendments specify that signs on motor vehicles and decorations on buildings are not subject to the sign regulations unless they have the effect of circumventing the sign regulations. The amendments set out standards concerning the size, location and duration of use of various types of temporary signs. Some of the types of temporary signs that are of a commercial nature include sandwich boards, temporary commercial signs, and temporary advertising features.

Sandwich boards up to 9 s.f. per side would be allowed during the hours of operation of a business. Temporary commercial signs up to 32 s.f. of total façade would be allowed on a business premises 4 times per year for up to 30 days at a time and are subject to a CEO issued temporary sign permit and a refundable deposit. Temporary advertising features would be allowed on a business premises 4 times per year for up to 10 days at a time subject to CEO permit.

The amendments permit reader boards -- as long as they do not occupy more than 50% of a sign area and have no more than 4 lines of text -- and time and temperature signs but do not permit roof mounted signs or animated signs. The amendments do not propose any changes to the existing dimensional standards for permanent signs.

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The amendments would establish provisions for the discontinuance of certain non-conforming signs. Non-conforming signs existing at the time of adoption of the amendments would be grandfathered but a non-conforming sign that remains unused for two years or more would lose its grandfathered status. By June 2, 2019, all permanent signs would be required to be conforming or to be discontinued and removed. By December 2, 2011, all temporary signs would be required to be conforming or to be discontinued and removed.

Key changes:

- Permit mixed-use buildings in Commercial District provided the ground floor contains only commercial uses.
- Eliminate the minimum lot size and front setback requirements in Commercial District
- Permit a maximum building height of 3 stories for buildings located on the eastern side of Route 302 in Commercial District
- Permit off-street parking to be met off site if within 300 feet
- Allow reduction in the number of off-street parking spaces constructed provided required number of spaces could fit on lot
- Require sign permits unless the sign meets one of the exceptions - generally smaller signs or non-advertising signs
- Sandwich boards up to 9 s.f. per side allowed during the hours of operation of a business.
- Temporary commercial signs up to 32 s.f. of total façade allowed on a business premises 4 times per year for up to 30 days at a time
- Temporary advertising features allowed on a business premises 4 times per year for up to 10 days at a time subject to CEO permit.
- Reader boards permitted as long as they do not occupy more than 50% of a sign area and have no more than 4 lines of text
- Non-conforming signs existing at the time of adoption of the amendments would be grandfathered
- By June 2, 2019, all permanent signs would be required to be conforming or to be discontinued and removed.
- By December 2, 2011, all temporary signs would be required to be conforming or to be discontinued and removed.

ARTICLE 5: Shall Article 10, Sections B, C and D, and Article 12 of the Town of Raymond Land Use Ordinance, as adopted May 21, 1994 and amended through December 2, 2008, be further amended by adding the underscored language and deleting the language in strikeover type, as shown below?

Description: The proposed amendments would revise the Site Plan Review ordinance provisions and add related definitions.

Currently Site Plan review is triggered when an applicant proposes a new building or facility or major remodeling but does not apply to single-family and duplex. The amendments would not substantially change when Site Plan review applies but would clarify which proposed activities would trigger site plan review and which would not.

The amendments would create three classifications of site plan review based on the amount of area proposed to be developed or renovated. Currently Site Plan review is classified as minor and is reviewed by the CEO if new or changed buildings, additions, or pavement do not exceed 2,000 square feet of gross

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area in any 12-month period. All other site plan applications are reviewed by the Planning Board.

The amendments would classify applications as staff review, minor site plan review, or major site plan review. Staff review would apply if any new building or addition is under 2400 s.f., and any exterior façade renovation is under 1200 s.f., and any addition or alteration of impervious surface on site is under 2400 s.f. in a two year period. Minor review applies for thresholds of under 4800 s.f., 2400 s.f., and 4800 s.f. respectively. All other projects would be classified as major but the applicant may request Planning Board review even if the project qualifies for staff review.

The amendments would change some of the review procedures and submission requirements based on the classification of a site plan application. For any project proposed in the Commercial district, a pre-application meeting with staff would be required and applicants would be required to review and consider the town's design guidelines (to be adopted by the Planning Board).

Site plan applications classified as **staff review** would be reviewed by the code officer and the town planner and would not require a public hearing but would require notification to abutters sufficient to provide an opportunity for them to comment on the application. Submission requirements would be substantially reduced in most instances and only the portions of the lot proposed for development would be subject to meeting the review criteria.

Site plan applications classified as **minor** would be reviewed by the Planning Board and would require a public hearing. Some submissions currently required for site plan applications would not be required unless deemed necessary by the Planning Board. Only the portions of the lot proposed for development would be subject to meeting the review criteria.

Site plan applications classified as **major** would be reviewed by the Planning Board and would require a public hearing. All submissions currently required for site plan applications would be required unless waived by the Planning Board. Applicants would be required to participate in a pre-application meeting with the Planning Board and the design and engineering of the project will receive peer review unless waived by the Planning Board. The entire lot proposed for development would be subject to meeting the review criteria.

Key changes:

- Creates three classifications - staff review, minor site plan review, or major site plan review - based on the amount of area proposed to be developed or renovated.
- Staff review applications would have reduced submission requirements and only the portions of the lot proposed for development would be subject to meeting the review criteria.
- Minor site plan applications would receive Planning Board review, have some reduced submission requirements, and only the portions of the lot proposed for development would be subject to meeting the review criteria.
- Major site plan applications would receive Planning Board review, have all submissions requirements (unless waived), be required to participate in a pre-application meeting with the Planning Board, and receive peer review (unless waived), and the entire lot proposed for development would be subject to meeting the review criteria.
- Projects proposed in the Commercial district would be required to review and consider the town's design guidelines.

The full text of the warrant articles including the text of the proposed ordinance amendments, and a copy of the proposed new Land Use Map, is available at the town office and on the town website.

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TOWN OF RAYMOND

Tuesday, June 2, 2009

ANNUAL BUDGET/TOWN WARRANT

TO: Nathan White, a resident of the Town of Raymond, in the County of Cumberland and State of Maine.

GREETINGS: In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Raymond, qualified by law to vote in Town affairs, to meet at the Jordan-Small Middle School gymnasium, in said Town of Raymond on Tuesday, June 2, 2009 at 7:00 P.M., then and there to act on the following articles:

ARTICLE 1: To elect a moderator to preside at said meeting.

ARTICLE 2: Shall the Town adopt the Raymond Open Space Plan, dated April 7, 2009.

[See separate document available at the Raymond Town Office.]

The Conservation Commission recommends adoption of this article.

ARTICLE 3: Shall Article 4, Section F, Article 9, section C, and Article 9 section L of the Town of Raymond Land Use Ordinance, as adopted May 21, 1994 and amended through December 2, 2008, be further amended by adding the underscored language and deleting the language in strikeover type, as shown below?

[See separate document available at the Raymond Town Office.]

The Planning Board recommends adoption of this article.

The Selectmen make no recommendation.

ARTICLE 4: Shall Article 2, Section A of the Town of Raymond Land Use Ordinance, as adopted May 21, 1994 and amended through December 2, 2008, and Section 9.A, Section 13, Section 14, Section 15, and Section 17 of the Town of Raymond Shoreland Zoning Provisions, as adopted May 21, 1994 and amended through December 2, 2008, be further amended by adding the underscored language and deleting the language in strikeover type, as shown below and shall the Land Use Map adopted December 2, 2008 as part of the Land Use Ordinance of the Town of Raymond, Maine be superseded and replaced by a new Land Use Regulation Map being that map entitled *Town of Raymond, Maine Official Land Use Map* prepared by New England Planning Concepts and filed in the office of the Town Clerk on May 5, 2009 and being that map that includes Stream Protection (SP) districts?

[See separate document available at the Raymond Town Office.]

The Planning Board recommends adoption of this article.

The Selectmen recommend adoption of this article.

ARTICLE 5: Shall Article 10, Sections B, C and D, and Article 12 of the Town of Raymond Land Use Ordinance, as adopted May 21, 1994 and amended through December 2, 2008, be further amended by adding the underscored language and deleting the language in strikeover type, as shown below?

[See separate document available at the Raymond Town Office.]

The Planning Board recommends adoption of this article.

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ARTICLE 6: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen on behalf of the Town to sell and dispose of any property acquired by the Town for nonpayment of taxes pursuant to the policy adopted by the Selectmen, as may be amended from time to time, the policy to remain consistent with State statutes and laws. In all cases conveyance to be made by municipal quitclaim deed.

The Selectmen recommend adoption of this article.

The Budget Committee recommends adoption of this article.

ARTICLE 7: To see what date taxes will be due and to set an interest rate for unpaid amounts.

The Selectmen recommend 1st half to be due October 31, 2009 and 2nd half to be due April 30, 2010 with interest at nine percent (9%) on any unpaid balances.

The Selectmen recommend adoption of this article.

The Budget Committee recommends adoption of this article.

ARTICLE 8: To see if the Town will vote to set the interest rate to be paid by the Town on abated taxes at nine percent (9%) for the fiscal year.

The Selectmen recommend adoption of this article.

The Budget Committee recommends adoption of this article.

ARTICLE 9: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to dispose of Town owned personal property with value not to exceed \$35,000.

The Selectmen recommend adoption of this article.

The Budget Committee recommends adoption of this article.

ARTICLE 10: To see what sum the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to borrow from or appropriate from fund balance (surplus) as they deem advisable to meet the unanticipated needs of the community that occur during the fiscal year.

The Selectmen recommend an amount not over \$75,000.

The Budget Committee recommends an amount not over \$75,000.

ARTICLE 11: To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen, for the fiscal year 2009 - 2010, to transfer funds between appropriation accounts as long as the grand total of all appropriations is not exceeded. Any such transfers to be approved only at a properly called public meeting of the Selectmen.

The Selectmen recommend adoption of this article.

The Budget Committee recommends adoption of this article.

ARTICLE 12: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the use of Town employees and/or Town owned equipment or independent contractor(s) hired by the Town for maintenance on private roads in special and certain circumstances where in the public's interest.

Note of explanation -- Three examples of when the use of Town employees and equipment is necessary include the following:

- A. Tying in work done on a public road that intersects a private road;
- B. Plowing snow on a private road to clear the way for emergency response apparatus; and
- C. In rare or emergency situations, maintaining private roads for school bus access to special education students as deemed necessary.

The Selectmen recommend adoption of this article.

The Budget Committee recommends adoption of this article

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ARTICLE 13: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Tax Collector or Treasurer to accept prepayments of taxes not yet committed pursuant to 36 M.R.S.A. § 506.

The Selectmen recommend adoption of this article.

The Budget Committee recommends adoption of this article

ARTICLE 14: To see what sum the Town will vote to appropriate from the tax increment of the Pipeline/RT 302 Tax Increment Financing District for FY 2008 - 2009 projects proposed in the Tax Increment Financing District Development Program.

Amount requested: \$193,823

Note: Included in this item are:

Raymond-Casco Historical Society..... \$1,800

Raymond Waterways Association Milfoil Program..... \$15,000

The Selectmen recommend adoption of this Article.

The Budget Committee recommends adoption of this Article.

ARTICLE 15: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Administration account.

Amount requested: \$497,882

The Selectmen recommend adoption of this Article.

The Budget Committee recommends adoption of this Article.

ARTICLE 16: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Assessing account.

Amount requested: \$66,337

The Selectmen recommend adoption of this Article.

The Budget Committee recommends adoption of this Article.

ARTICLE 17: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Town Hall account.

Amount requested: \$33,621

The Selectmen recommend adoption of this Article.

The Budget Committee recommends adoption of this Article.

ARTICLE 18: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Insurance account.

Amount requested: \$461,536

The Selectmen recommend adoption of this Article.

The Budget Committee recommends adoption of this Article.

ARTICLE 19: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the General Assistance account.

Amount requested: \$2,000

The Selectmen recommend adoption of this Article.

The Budget Committee recommends adoption of this Article.

ARTICLE 20: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Technology Department account.

Amount requested: \$156,400

The Selectmen recommend adoption of this Article.

The Budget Committee recommends adoption of this Article.

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ARTICLE 21: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Community Development account.

Amount requested: \$47,027

The Selectmen recommend adoption of this Article.

The Budget Committee recommends adoption of this Article.

ARTICLE 22: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Fire/Rescue Department account.

Amount requested: \$581,196

The Selectmen recommend adoption of this Article.

The Budget Committee recommends adoption of this Article.

ARTICLE 23: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Animal Control account.

Amount requested: \$12,606

The Selectmen recommend adoption of this Article.

The Budget Committee recommends adoption of this Article.

ARTICLE 24: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Infrastructure account.

Amount requested: \$21,220

The Selectmen recommend adoption of this Article.

The Budget Committee recommends adoption of this Article.

ARTICLE 25: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Public Works account.

Amount requested: \$589,566

The Selectmen recommend adoption of this Article.

The Budget Committee recommends adoption of this Article.

ARTICLE 26: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Solid Waste account.

Amount requested: \$470,991

The Selectmen recommend adoption of this Article.

The Budget Committee recommends adoption of this Article.

ARTICLE 27: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Cemeteries account.

Amount requested: \$18,112

The Selectmen recommend adoption of this Article.

The Budget Committee recommends adoption of this Article.

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ARTICLE 28: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Parks & Recreation account.

Amount requested: \$16,535

Included are:	Materials/Equipment.....	\$4,200
	Contract Services	\$7,335
	Raymond Rattlers Snowmobile	\$2,000
	Raymond Baseball/Softball	\$1,000
	Agawam mowing/soccer	\$2,000

The Selectmen recommend adoption of this Article.

The Budget Committee recommends adoption of this Article.

ARTICLE 29: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Raymond Village Library.

Amount requested: \$30,900

The Selectmen recommend adoption of this Article.

The Budget Committee recommends adoption of this Article.

ARTICLE 30: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Provider Agencies.

Amounts requested:	2009-2010 level
* Raymond Extended Day Care.....	\$1,500
* Raymond Mentoring Partnership.....	\$1,000
Raymond Food Pantry	\$200

Amount requested: \$2,700

* EXPLANATION: This funding will only be awarded if these groups raise equal matching funds.

The Selectmen recommend adoption of this Article.

The Budget Committee recommends adoption of this Article.

ARTICLE 31: To see whether the Town will vote to carry forward any existing fund balance in the Capital Improvement Program (C.I.P.) account.

The Selectmen recommend adoption of this article.

The Budget Committee recommends adoption of this article

ARTICLE 32: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Capital Improvement account.

Amount requested: \$686,711

The Selectmen recommend adoption of this Article.

The Budget Committee recommends adoption of this Article.

ARTICLE 33: To see what sum the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the County Tax account.

Amount requested: \$560,674

The Selectmen recommend adoption of this Article.

The Budget Committee recommends adoption of this Article.

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ARTICLE 34: To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the total sum of \$1,698,675 from estimated non-property tax revenues to reduce the property tax commitment, together with all categories of funds which may be available from the federal government and any other sources.

The Selectmen recommend adoption of this Article.

The Budget Committee recommends adoption of this Article.

ARTICLE 35: To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to accept or reject grants, donations and/or gifts of money to the Town of Raymond and to expend monies donated for specific purposes.

The Selectmen recommend adoption of this article.

The Budget Committee recommends adoption of this article

ARTICLE 36: To see if the Town will vote to accept certain State Funds as provided by the Maine State Legislature during the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2009 and any other funds provided by any other entity included but not limited to:

- A. Municipal Revenue Sharing
- B. Local Road Assistance
- C. Emergency Management Assistance
- D. Snowmobile Registration Money
- E. Tree Growth Reimbursement
- F. General Assistance Reimbursement
- G. Veteran's Exemption Reimbursement
- H. State Grant or Other Funds

The Selectmen recommend adoption of this article.

The Budget Committee recommends adoption of this article

Given under our hands this 5th day of May AD 2009.

Mike Reynolds

Joseph Bruno

Dana Desjardins

Mark Gendron

Lawrence Taylor

Selectmen of Raymond

Town of Raymond Municipal Budget 2009/2010

Account	Proposed 08/09 Budget	Budgeted 07/08 Budget	Difference This yr/Last yr	Warrant Article
Administration				
Salaries	316,993	321,875		
Code Enforcement Department	88,191	87,473		
Supplies	4,300	4,300		
Equipment	500	500		
Service contracts	17,976	17,413		
Utilities-phone	5,900	6,500		
Postage	6,530	6,046		
Audit & legal	26,000	21,000		
Dues / publications/remembrances	1,250	11,611		
Advertising	1,000	1,100		
Registry of Deeds	3,500	3,500		
Travel & training	9,399	10,714		
Printing	5,600	5,600		
Elections	10,743	13,216		
Total	497,882	510,848	-12,966	Article 15
Assessing				
Contract Assessor	30,000	30,000		
Salary	24,669	23,937		
Supplies/Equipment	800	500		
Legal (Assessing & BAR)	2,568	4,200		
Software maintenance	7,100	6,500		
Registry of Deeds	1,200	1,200		
Total	66,337	66,337	0	Article 16
Town Hall				
Supplies	2,400	2,482		
Equipment	3,454	3,454		
Heating oil	7,600	6,000		
Utilities	15,264	13,802		
Contract services	1,403	1,361		
Town Hall repairs/renovations/maint	3,500	3,500		
Total	33,621	30,599	3,022	Article 17
Insurance				
Social Security	85,324	88,660		
Unemployment	1,000	1,000		
Risk pool	28,930	30,359		
Workers Comp	30,970	36,948		
Hull & Indemnity for Rescue Boat	1,900	1,656		
Public officials liab.	1,350	4,445		
Health/Dental	245,176	256,091		
Life insurance	4,795	4,259		

Town of Raymond Municipal Budget 2009/2010

Account	Proposed 08/09 Budget	Budgeted 07/08 Budget	Difference This yr/Last yr	Warrant Article
ICMA Ret Corp	47,515	49,626		
Primecare fees	14,576	11,200		
Total	461,536	484,244	-22,708	Article 18
General Assistance				
GA	2,000	2,000		
Total	2,000	2,000	0	Article 19
Technology Department				
Video broadcasting salary	3,600	3,600		
Video broadcasting expenses	9,000	9,000		
Technology Svcs Admin/GIS Coord.	60,000	60,000		
Technology/computers/upgrades	63,800	63,800		
Communications - salary	0	10,000		
GIS Contracted Services	20,000	20,000		
Total	156,400	166,400	-10,000	Article 20
Community Development				
Planner/Secretary	31,277	30,862		
Supplies	250	250		
Advertising	1,500	1,500		
Comp Plan implementation	5,000	8,000		
Planning Board Ordinance Updates	5,000			
Conservation Commission	4,000	6,000		
Total	47,027	46,612	415	Article 21
Fire/EMS Department				
Clothing allowance	5,000	5,000		
Operations	13,955	13,955		
Travel	4,400	4,400		
Fire/Rescue Payroll	376,432	356,051		
Administrative Assistant	0	13,000		
Dispatch Services	25,900	69,900		
One-time Fees - changing dispatch	11,424	0		
Paramedic Fly Car	5,000	5,000		
Building maint	8,620	4,620		
New equipment	7,000	7,000		
Gas/oil	15,278	12,978		
Vehicle Maintenance	23,400	20,000		
Firefighter Equipment and repair	5,700	5,700		
Radio repairs & replacement	7,800	7,800		
Heating of buildings	16,000	16,000		
Utilities	24,966	21,900		
Maintenance and License Contracts	4,721	4,721		

Town of Raymond Municipal Budget 2009/2010

Account	Proposed 08/09 Budget	Budgeted 07/08 Budget	Difference This yr/Last yr	Warrant Article
Health & safety	4,000	4,000		
Dues & publications & EMS assessment	900	900		
Training	10,500	10,500		
Fire prevention	500	500		
Turn-out gear/equip	8,500	4,800		
SCBA	1,200	4,900		
Total	581,196	593,625	-12,429	Article 22
Animal Control				
Revenue	(4,000)	(4,000)		
Salaries	5,120	3,976		
Uniforms	300	200		
Equipment	600	500		
Mileage/Expenses	5,000	3,000		
Contract services	5,586	5,562		
Total	12,606	9,238	3,368	Article 23
Infrastructure				
Streetlights	21,220	21,200		
Total	21,220	21,200	20	Article 24
Public Works				
Salaries	212,852	206,659		
Supplies/uniforms	5,000	5,000		
Materials	15,000	15,000		
Road signs	3,000	3,000		
Road salt	71,000	55,000		
Equipment	3,500	3,500		
Equipment maintenance	20,000	20,000		
Gas/diesel	22,000	18,258		
Phone/CMP	5,600	2,525		
Travel & training	400	400		
District 1 building utilities	6,575	6,575		
Building maintenance	3,500	3,500		
Snow removal contract	158,239	152,937		
Striping contract	10,000	10,000		
Roadside mowing	3,200	2,500		
Subcontracting	7,000	7,000		
Rental equipment	1,500	1,500		
Winter Sand	41,200	40,000		
Total	589,566	553,354	36,212	Article 25
Solid Waste				
Recycling pickup & haul	107,494	102,375		

Town of Raymond Municipal Budget 2009/2010

Account	Proposed 08/09 Budget	Budgeted 07/08 Budget	Difference This yr/Last yr	Warrant Article
Recycling committee	1,200	1,200		
Bulky waste \Casco Transfer Station	0	50,000		
Roadside pickup	114,660	109,200		
MMWAC	52,200	52,200		
MMWAC debt service	176,997	185,291		
Ecomaine (RWS) demo project	18,440	17,200		
Total	470,991	517,466	-46,475	Article 26
Cemeteries				
Contract services	11,112	10,795		
General repair/maintenance	5,000	5,000		
Map and plot locations plan	2,000	2,000		
Total	18,112	17,795	317	Article 27
Parks/Recreation				
Materials/equipment	4,200	4,200		
Contract services	7,335	7,121		
Raymond Rattlers Snowmobile	2,000	2,000		
Raymond Baseball/Softball	1,000	1,000		
Agawam mowing /soccer	2,000	2,000		
Total	16,535	16,321	214	Article 28
Raymond Village Library				
Library	30,900	30,000		
Total	30,900	30,000	900	Article 29
Provider Agencies				
Tri County	0	2,712		
Home Health (Community Health)	0	4,000		
PROP	0	5,500		
So Maine Agency on Aging	0	1,950		
Family Crisis Services	0	1,000		
RED	1500	3,000		
Raymond Mentoring Partnership	1000	1,889		
GBLRCC	0	1,000	moved to TIF	
Raymond Food Pantry	200	0		
Total	2,700	21,051	-18,351	Article 30
CIP				
Municipal Facilities Maint/Improvement	25,000	25,000		
Assessing update reserve	0	28,000		
PW-Equipment Reserve	35,000	35,000		
PW - Road construction bond payment	112,081	114,949		
Public Safety Bldg bond payment	139,741	142,965		

Town of Raymond Municipal Budget 2009/2010

Account	Proposed 08/09 Budget	Budgeted 07/08 Budget	Difference This yr/Last yr	Warrant Article
Fire Dept equipment bond payment	64,889	66,550		
Paving	225,000	220,000		
Fire Department equipment reserve	85,000	85,000		
Total	686,711	717,464	-30,753	Article 32
Gross Budget	3,695,340	3,804,554	-109,214	
County Tax Assessment	560,674	545,548		
	560,674	545,548	15,126	Article 33
TIF				
Raymond/Casco Historical	1,800	2,000		
Hydrant Rental	5,360	5,315		
Waterline Bond Payment	77,560	79,350		
Route 302 Bond Payment	53,081	54,306		
Street Flag Maintenance	1,000	2,108		
Route 302 Corridor	34,297	30,821		
Raymond Waterways	15,000	15,000		
GBLRCC	1,000			
GPCOG	4,725			
Total	193,823	188,900	4,923	Article 14

TOWN OF RAYMOND

RAYMOND, MAINE

FINANCIAL AUDIT REPORT

JUNE 30, 2008

**TOWN OF RAYMOND
RAYMOND, MAINE
JUNE 30, 2008**

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REPORT OF CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS

Independent Auditors' Report

Board of Selectmen and Manager
TOWN OF RAYMOND
Raymond, Maine

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, business-type activities, major funds, and remaining fund information, which collectively comprise the financial statements, of the Town of Raymond, Maine as of and for the year ended June 30, 2008, as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Town's Management. Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

A substantial portion of the revenues of the School Lunch Program, Jordan-Small Middle School, Tassel Top, and Raymond School Student Activities consists of cash collections. It was not practical to satisfy ourselves with respect to such revenues beyond the amounts recorded as received.

In our opinion, except for the effect on the financial statements of the preceding paragraph, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, business-type activities, major funds, and remaining fund information of the Town of Raymond and the changes in financial position and cash flows, where applicable, of those activities and funds and the budgetary comparison for the general fund for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

The Town of Raymond, Maine has not presented Management's Discussion and Analysis that accounting principles generally accepted in the United States has determined is necessary to supplement, although not required to be part of, the basic financial statements.

Smith & Associates

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A Professional Association

Yarmouth, Maine
October 15, 2008

EXHIBIT I

**TOWN OF RAYMOND
STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS
JUNE 30, 2008**

	<u>Primary Government</u>		
	Governmental	Business-	
Assets	<u>Activities</u>	<u>Type Activities</u>	<u>Total</u>
Cash	\$ 2,351,299	\$ 19,293	\$ 2,370,592
Investments	240,925	0	240,925
Accounts Receivable	36,252	10,591	46,843
Taxes Receivable	448,440	0	448,440
Liens Receivable	122,514	0	122,514
Inventories	11,649	7,744	19,393
Prepaid Expenses	56,176	0	56,176
Capital Assets, Net of Accumulated Depreciation	<u>12,501,517</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>12,501,517</u>
Total Assets	<u>\$15,768,772</u>	<u>\$ 37,628</u>	<u>\$15,806,400</u>
Liabilities			
Accounts Payable	\$ 51,779	\$ 893	\$ 52,672
Accrued Expenses	493,922	487	494,409
Non Current Liabilities:			
Due Within One Year	876,924	0	876,924
Due in More Than One Year	<u>7,827,695</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>7,827,695</u>
Total Liabilities	<u>\$ 9,250,320</u>	<u>\$ 1,380</u>	<u>\$ 9,251,700</u>
Net Assets			
Invested in Capital Assets, Net of Related Debt	\$ 3,796,898	\$ 0	\$ 3,796,898
Restricted For:			
Educational Purposes	177,416	0	177,416
Grant and Entitlement Purposes	52,498	0	52,498
Permanent Funds, Nonexpendable	159,714	0	159,714
Special Revenues	60,827	0	60,827
Capital Projects	366,313	0	366,313
Permanent Funds, Expendable	78,885	0	78,885
Unrestricted	<u>1,825,901</u>	<u>36,248</u>	<u>1,862,149</u>
Total Net Assets	<u>\$ 6,518,452</u>	<u>\$ 36,248</u>	<u>\$ 6,554,700</u>

The Notes to the Financial Statements are an integral part of this Statement.

EXHIBIT II

**TOWN OF RAYMOND
STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008**

<u>Functions/Programs</u>	<u>Expenses</u>	<u>Program Revenues</u>		<u>Net (Expense) Revenue & Changes in Net Assets</u>		<u>Total</u>
		<u>Charges for Services</u>	<u>Operating Grants & Contributions</u>	<u>Primary Government</u>	<u>Business - Type Activities</u>	
Governmental Activities				Governmental Activities		
General Government	\$ 1,259,806	\$ 206,933	\$ 0	\$ (1,052,873)	\$ 0	\$ (1,052,873)
Public Works	1,070,520	58,457	203,977	(808,086)	0	(808,086)
Protection	707,732	156,654	0	(551,078)	0	(551,078)
Culture & Recreation	92,475	0	15,787	(76,688)	0	(76,688)
Public Health & Welfare	870	0	0	(870)	0	(870)
Education	8,793,309	0	1,852,964	(6,940,345)	0	(6,940,345)
Fixed Charges	522,969	0	0	(522,969)	0	(522,969)
Interest on Long-Term Debt	417,301	0	0	(417,301)	0	(417,301)
Depreciation - Unallocated	556,990	0	0	(556,990)	0	(556,990)
Capital Outlay	29,719	0	0	(29,719)	0	(29,719)
Total Governmental Activities	\$ 13,451,691	\$ 422,044	\$ 2,072,728	\$ (10,956,919)	\$ 0	\$ (10,956,919)
Business-Type Activities	220,765	156,044	48,409	0	(16,312)	(16,312)
Total Primary Government	\$ 13,672,456	\$ 578,088	\$ 2,121,137	\$ (10,956,919)	\$ (16,312)	\$ (10,973,231)
General Revenues						
Property Taxes				\$ 10,645,867	\$ 0	\$ 10,645,867
Grants & Contributions Not Restricted				352,192	0	352,192
Unrestricted Investment Earnings				134,467	443	134,910
Total General Revenues				\$ 11,132,526	\$ 443	\$ 11,132,969
Changes in Net Assets				\$ 175,607	\$ (15,869)	\$ 159,738
Net Assets – July 1, 2007				6,342,845	52,117	6,394,962
Net Assets – June 30, 2008				\$ 6,518,452	\$ 36,248	\$ 6,554,700

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EXHIBIT III

**TOWN OF RAYMOND
BALANCE SHEET
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
JUNE 30, 2008**

	General <u>Fund</u>	Other Governmental <u>Funds</u>	Total Governmental <u>Funds</u>
Assets			
Cash	\$ 2,351,299	\$ 0	\$ 2,351,299
Investments	0	240,925	240,925
Taxes Receivable	448,440	0	448,440
Tax Liens Receivable	122,514	0	122,514
Accounts and Notes Receivable	36,252	0	36,252
Inventories	11,649	0	11,649
Prepaid Expenses	56,176	0	56,176
Due From Other Funds	<u>20,020</u>	<u>497,332</u>	<u>517,352</u>
Total Assets	<u>\$ 3,046,350</u>	<u>\$ 738,257</u>	<u>\$ 3,784,607</u>
Liabilities & Fund Balance			
Liabilities			
Accounts Payable	\$ 48,498	\$ 2,326	\$ 50,824
Accrued Expenses	310,861	0	310,861
Deferred Revenues	352,843	0	352,843
Due to Other Funds	<u>500,613</u>	<u>17,694</u>	<u>518,307</u>
Total Liabilities	<u>\$ 1,212,815</u>	<u>\$ 20,020</u>	<u>\$ 1,232,835</u>
Fund Balance			
Reserved For:			
Educational Purposes	\$ 177,416	\$ 0	\$ 177,416
Nonexpendable Principal	0	159,714	159,714
Grant & Entitlement Purposes	0	52,498	52,498
Unreserved , Reported in:			
General Fund	1,656,119	0	1,656,119
Special Revenue Funds	0	60,827	60,827
Capital Projects	0	366,313	366,313
Permanent Funds	<u>0</u>	<u>78,885</u>	<u>78,885</u>
Total Fund Balance	<u>\$ 1,833,535</u>	<u>\$ 718,237</u>	<u>\$ 2,551,772</u>
Total Liabilities & Fund Balance	<u>\$ 3,046,350</u>	<u>\$ 738,257</u>	<u>\$ 3,784,607</u>

The Notes to the Financial Statements are an Integral Part of This Statement.

EXHIBIT IV

**RECONCILIATION OF THE GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS BALANCE SHEET TO
STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS
JUNE 30, 2008**

Total Fund Balance – Total Governmental Funds \$2,551,772

**Amounts Reported for Governmental Activities in the Statement of
Net Assets are different because:**

Capital Assets Used in Governmental Activities are Not
Current Financial Resources and Therefore are Not
Reported in the Governmental Funds Balance Sheet 12,501,517

Interest Payable on Long-Term Debt Does Not Require Current
Financial Resources. Therefore Interest Payable is Not Reported
as a Liability in Governmental Funds Balance Sheet (70,102)

Property Tax Revenues are Reported in the Governmental Funds
Balance Sheet Under NCGA Interpretation-3, Revenue Recognition-
Property Taxes 352,843

Long Term Liabilities are Not Due and Payable in the Current Period
and, Therefore, They are Not Reported in the Governmental Funds
Balance Sheet:

Due in One Year	\$ 876,924	
Due in More Than One Year	7,827,695	
Accrued Compensated Absence Pay	<u>112,959</u>	<u>(8,817,578)</u>

Net Assets of Governmental Activities **\$ 6,518,452**

EXHIBIT V

TOWN OF RAYMOND
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE
GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

	General <u>Fund</u>	Total Governmental <u>Funds</u>	Other Governmental <u>Funds</u>
Revenues			
Taxes	\$ 10,546,435	\$ 0	\$ 10,546,435
Intergovernmental	1,901,629	491,960	2,393,589
Licenses, Permits and Fees	88,927	0	88,927
Charges for Services	187,793	18,544	206,337
Investment Income	118,978	15,489	134,467
Miscellaneous	<u>118,006</u>	<u>40,105</u>	<u>158,111</u>
Total Revenues	<u>\$ 12,961,768</u>	<u>\$ 566,098</u>	<u>\$ 13,527,866</u>
Expenditures			
Current			
General Government	\$ 1,234,775	\$ 37,796	\$ 1,272,571
Public Works	1,000,004	387,652	1,387,656
Protection	601,252	108,914	710,166
Culture and Recreation	65,896	26,579	92,475
Public Health and Welfare	70	800	870
Education	9,092,993	348,057	9,441,050
Debt Service	214,198	136,482	350,680
Fixed Charges	522,969	0	522,969
Capital Outlay	<u>152,817</u>	<u>25,571</u>	<u>178,388</u>
Total Expenditures	<u>\$ 12,884,974</u>	<u>\$ 1,071,851</u>	<u>\$ 13,956,825</u>
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures	<u>\$ 76,794</u>	<u>\$ (505,753)</u>	<u>\$ (428,959)</u>
Other Financing Sources (Uses)			
Operating Transfers	<u>(679,796)</u>	<u>679,796</u>	<u>0</u>
Net Change in Fund Balance	<u>\$ (603,002)</u>	<u>\$ 174,043</u>	<u>\$ (428,959)</u>
Fund Balance – July 1, 2007	<u>2,436,537</u>	<u>544,194</u>	<u>2,980,731</u>
Fund Balance – June 30, 2008	<u>\$ 1,833,535</u>	<u>\$ 718,237</u>	<u>\$ 2,551,772</u>

The Notes to the Financial Statements are an integral part of this Statement.

EXHIBIT VI

**TOWN OF RAYMOND
RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES,
EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS
TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008**

Net Change in Fund Balance – Total Governmental Funds \$(428,959)

**Amounts Reported for Governmental Activities in the State of Net Assets
are different because:**

Governmental Funds Report Capital Outlays as Expenditures. However, in the Statement of Activities the Cost of Those Assets Is Allocated over Their Estimated Useful Lives and Reported as Depreciation Expense. This is the Amount of Capital Assets Recorded in the Current Period. 133,708

Depreciation Expense on Capital Assets is Reported in the Government-Wide Statement of Activities and Changes in Net Assets, But They Do Not Require the Use of Current Financial Resources. Therefore, Depreciation Expense is Not Reported as Expenditure in Governmental Funds. (556,990)

The Issuance of Long-Term Debt (e.g. Bonds, Leases and Accrued Compensated Absence Pay) Provides Current Financial Resources to Governmental Funds, While the Repayment of the Principal of Long-Term Debt Consumes the Current Financial Resources of Governmental Funds. Neither Transaction, However, has Any Effect on Net Assets. Also, Governmental Funds Report the Effect of Issuance Cost, Premiums, Discounts, and Similar Items When Debt is First Issued, Whereas the Amounts are Deferred and Amortized in the Statement of Activities. This Amount is the Net Effect of These Differences in the Treatment of Long-Term Debt and Related Items. 925,598

Some Property Tax Will Not be Collected for Several Months After the Town's Fiscal Year End; they are Not Considered "Available" Revenues in the Governmental Funds. This Amount is the Net Effect of the Differences. 99,432

Accrued Interest Expense on Long-Term Debt is Reported in the Government-Wide Statement of Activities and Changes in Net Assets, But Does Not Require the Use of Current Financial Resources; Therefore, Accrued Interest Expense is not Reported as Expenditures in Governmental Funds. 2,818

Change in Net Assets of Governmental Activities **\$175,607**

EXHIBIT VII

**TOWN OF RAYMOND
STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS
PROPRIETARY FUNDS
JUNE 30, 2008**

	Business-Type Activities Enterprise <u>Funds</u>
Assets	
Current Assets	
Cash	\$ 19,293
Accounts Receivable	7,310
Inventories	7,744
Due From General Fund	<u>3,281</u>
Total Assets	<u>\$ 37,628</u>
Liabilities	
Current Liabilities	
Accounts Payable	\$ 893
Accrued Payroll	<u>487</u>
Total Liabilities	<u>\$ 1,380</u>
Net Assets	
Unrestricted	<u>\$ 36,248</u>
Total Net Assets	<u>\$ 36,248</u>

EXHIBIT VIII

**TOWN OF RAYMOND
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES AND CHANGES IN NET ASSETS
PROPRIETARY FUNDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008**

	Business-Type Activities Enterprise <u>Funds</u>
Operating Revenues	
Charges For Sales & Services:	
User Fees	\$ 156,044
Miscellaneous	<u>0</u>
Total Operating Revenues	<u>\$ 156,044</u>
Operating Expenses	
Culture & Recreation	\$ 51,669
Education	<u>169,096</u>
Total Operating Expenses	<u>\$ 220,765</u>
Operating Income (Loss)	<u>\$ (64,721)</u>
Non Operating Revenues (Expenses)	
Intergovernmental	\$ 48,409
Investment Income	<u>443</u>
Total Non Operating Revenues (Expenses)	<u>\$ 48,852</u>
Changes in Net Assets	<u>\$ (15,869)</u>
Net Assets – July 1, 2007	<u>52,117</u>
Net Assets – June 30, 2008	<u><u>\$ 36,248</u></u>

The Notes to the Financial Statements are an Integral Part of This Statement.

EXHIBIT IX

**TOWN OF RAYMOND
STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
PROPRIETARY FUNDS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008**

	Business- Type Activities Enterprise <u>Funds</u>
Cash Flows from Operating Activities	
Receipts From Customers	\$ 156,044
Payments to Vendors & Employees	<u>(223,727)</u>
Net Cash Provided (Used) by Operating Activities	<u>\$ (67,683)</u>
Cash Flows from Noncapital & Related Financing Activities	
Increase in Due From General Fund	\$ 5,048
Intergovernmental Receipts	<u>48,409</u>
Total Cash Flows from Noncapital & Related Financing Activities	<u>\$ 53,457</u>
Cash Flows from Investing Activities	
Investment Income Received	<u>\$ 443</u>
Total Cash Flows from Investing Activities	<u>\$ 443</u>
Net Increase (Decrease) in Cash	<u>\$ (13,783)</u>
Cash – July 1, 2007	<u>33,076</u>
Cash – June 30, 2008	<u><u>\$ 19,293</u></u>
Reconciliation Of Operating Income to Net Cash Provided (Used) by Operating Activities:	
Operating Income (Loss)	\$ (64,721)
Adjustments to Reconcile Operating Income to Net Cash Provided (Used) by Operating Activities	
Depreciation Expense	\$ 0
(Increase) Decrease in Accounts Receivable	(4,783)
(Increase) Decrease in Inventories	564
Increase (Decrease) in Accounts Payable	893
Increase (Decrease) in Accrued Payroll	<u>364</u>
Total Adjustments	<u>\$ (2,962)</u>
Net Cash Provided (Used) by Operating Activities	<u><u>\$ (67,683)</u></u>

The Notes to the Financial Statements are an integral part of this Statement.

EXHIBIT X

**TOWN OF RAYMOND
STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET ASSETS
FIDUCIARY FUNDS
JUNE 30, 2008**

	Agency Funds
Assets	
Cash	<u>\$ 23,203</u>
Liabilities	
Amounts Held for Others	<u>\$ 23,203</u>
Net Assets	<u><u>\$ 0</u></u>

The Notes to the Financial Statements are an Integral Part of This Statement.

TOWN OF RAYMOND
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
JUNE 30, 2008

NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

A. – General Statement

The Town of Raymond, Maine was incorporated in 1803 under the laws of the State of Maine and currently operates under a Selectmen/Manager Form of Government.

The accounting and reporting policies of the Town relating to the funds and account groups included in the accompanying basic financial statements conform to generally accepted accounting principles as applicable to state and local governments. Generally accepted accounting principles for local governments include those principles prescribed by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB), the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants in the publication entitled *Audits of State and Local Governmental Units* and by the Financial Accounting Standards Board (when applicable). As allowed in Section P80 of GASB's *Codification of Governmental Accounting and Financial Reporting Standards*, the Town has elected not to apply to its proprietary activities Financial Accounting Standards Board Statements and Interpretations, Accounting Principles Board Opinions, and Accounting Research Bulletins of the Committee of Accounting Procedure issued after November 30, 1989. The more significant accounting policies of the Town are described below.

In June 1999, the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) unanimously approved Statement No. 34, *Basic Financial Statements – and Management's Discussion and Analysis – for State and Local Governments*. Certain of the significant changes in the Statement include the following:

The financial statements include:

- A Management Discussion and Analysis (MD&A) section providing an analysis of the Town's overall financial position and results of operations. Management of the Town of Raymond has elected to omit the MD&A as indicated in the Independent Auditors' Report as have many other Maine municipalities.
- Financial statements prepared using full accrual accounting for all of the Town's activities.
- A change in the fund financial statements to focus on the major funds.

These and other changes are reflected in the accompanying financial statements including notes to financial statements.

B. – Financial Reporting Entity

The Town's combined financial statements include the accounts of all Town of Raymond operations. The criteria for including organizations as component units within the Town's reporting entity, as set forth in Section 2100 of GASB's *Codification of Governmental Accounting and Financial Reporting Standards*, include whether:

TOWN OF RAYMOND
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
JUNE 30, 2008

NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

B. – Financial Reporting Entity (Continued)

- The organization is legally separate (can sue and be sued in their own name).
- The Town holds the corporate powers of the organization.
- The Town appoints a voting majority of the organization's board.
- The Town is able to impose its will on the organization.
- The organization has the potential to impose a financial benefit/burden on the Town.
- There is fiscal dependency by the organization on the Town.

Based on the aforementioned criteria, the Town of Raymond has no component units that are not included in this report.

C. – Basic Financial Statements – Government-Wide Statements

The Town's basic financial statements include both government-wide (reporting the Town as a whole) and fund financial statements (reporting the Town's major funds). Both the government-wide and fund financial statements categorize primary activities as either governmental or business-type.

In the government-wide Statement of Net Assets, both the governmental and business-type activities columns (a) are presented on a consolidated basis by column (b) and are reported on a full accrual, economic resource basis, which recognizes all long-term assets and receivables as well as long-term debt and obligations. The Town's net assets are reported in three parts – invested in capital assets, net of related debt; restricted net assets; and unrestricted net assets. The Town first utilizes restricted resources to finance qualifying activities.

The government-wide Statement of Activities reports both the gross and net cost of each of the Town's functions. The functions are also supported by general government revenues (property taxes, certain intergovernmental revenues, charges for services, etc). The Statement of Activities reduces gross expenses (including depreciation) by related program revenues, operating and capital grants. Program revenues must be directly associated with the function or a business-type activity. Operating grants include operating-specific and discretionary (whether operating or capital) grants while the capital grants column reflects capital-specific grants.

The net costs (by function) are normally covered by general revenue (property taxes, intergovernmental revenues, interest income, etc).

D. – Basic Financial Statements – Fund Financial Statements

The financial transactions of the Town are reported in individual funds in the fund financial statements. Each fund is accounted for by providing a separate set of self-balancing accounts that comprises its assets, liabilities, reserves, fund equity, revenues and expenditures/expenses. The various funds are reported by generic classification within the financial statements. The following fund types are used by the Town.

TOWN OF RAYMOND
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
JUNE 30, 2008

NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

D. – Basic Financial Statements – Fund Financial Statements (Continued)

Governmental Funds

The focus of the governmental funds' measurement (in the fund statements) is upon determination of financial position and changes in financial position (sources, uses, and balances of financial resources) rather than upon net income. The following is a description of the governmental funds of the Town:

General Fund is the general operating fund of the Town. It is used to account for all financial resources except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

Special Revenue Funds are used to account for the proceeds of specific revenue sources that are legally restricted to expenditures for specified purposes.

Capital Projects Funds are used to account for financial resources to be used for the acquisition or construction of major capital facilities (other than those financed by business-type/proprietary funds).

Permanent Funds are used to report resources that are legally restricted to the extent that only earning, and not principal may be used for the purposes that support the reporting government's programs, that is, for the benefit of the government or its citizenry. A permanent fund would be used, for example, to account for the perpetual care endowment of a municipal cemetery.

Proprietary Funds

The focus of proprietary fund measurement is upon determination of operating income, changes in net assets, financial position, and cash flows. The generally accepted accounting principles applicable are those similar to businesses in the private sector. The following is a description of the proprietary funds of the Town of Raymond:

Enterprise Funds are required to be used to account for operations for which a fee is charged to external users for goods or services and the activity (a) is financed with debt that is solely secured by a pledge of the net revenues, (b) has a third party requirement that the cost of providing services, including capital costs, be recovered with fees and charges or (c) establishes fees and charges based on a pricing policy designed to recover similar costs. The Raymond School Lunch and Tassel Top programs operate in a manner similar to private business enterprises. The intent is that costs for these services provided to the general public on a continuing basis be recovered or financed primarily through charges to users.

Fiduciary Funds

Fiduciary funds are used to report assets held in a trustee or agency capacity for others and therefore are not available to support Town programs. The reporting focus is on net assets and changes in net assets and is reported using accounting principles similar to proprietary funds.

TOWN OF RAYMOND
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
JUNE 30, 2008

NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

D. – Basic Financial Statements – Fund Financial Statements (Continued)

Fiduciary Funds (Continued)

The Town's fiduciary funds are presented in the fiduciary fund financial statements by type (private purpose and agency). Since by definition these assets are being held for the benefit of a third party (other local governments, private parties, etc.) and cannot be used to address activities or obligations of the government, these funds are not incorporated into the government-wide statements.

The emphasis in fund financial statements is on the major funds in either the governmental or business-type activities categories. Nonmajor funds by category are summarized into a single column. GASBS No. 34 sets forth minimum criteria (percentage of the assets, liabilities, revenues or expenditures/expenses of either fund category or the governmental and enterprise combined) for the determination of major funds. The nonmajor funds are combined in a column in the fund financial statements.

E. – Measurement Focus/Basis of Accounting

Measurement focus refers to what is being measured; basis of accounting refers to when revenues and expenditures are recognized in the accounts and reported in the financial statements. Basis of accounting relates to the timing of the measurement made, regardless of the measurement focus applied.

The government-wide statements and fund financial statements for proprietary funds are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting. The economic resources measurement focus means all assets and liabilities (whether current or non-current) are included on the statement of net assets and the operating statements present increases (revenues) and decreases (expenses) in net total assets. Under the accrual basis of accounting, revenues are recognized when earned. Expenses are recognized at the time the liability is incurred.

Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and are accounted for using the modified accrual basis of accounting. Under the modified accrual basis of accounting, revenues are recognized when susceptible to accrual; i.e., when they become both measurable and available. "Measurable" means the amount of the transaction can be determined and "available" means collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to be used to pay liabilities of the current period. A one-year availability period is used for recognition of all other Governmental fund revenues. However, debt service expenditures, as well as expenditures related to compensated absences are recorded only when payment is due.

Operating revenues and expenses for proprietary funds are those that result from providing services and producing and delivering goods and/or services. It also includes all revenue and expenses not related to capital and related financing, noncapital financing, or investing activities.

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NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
JUNE 30, 2008

NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

F. – Budgetary Control

Formal budgetary accounting is employed as a management control for the general fund of the Town of Raymond. The Town of Raymond's policy is to adopt an annual budget for operations. The budget is presented on the modified accrual basis of accounting which is consistent with generally accepted accounting principles.

The following procedures are followed in establishing budgetary data reflected in the financial statements:

1. Early in the second half of the last fiscal year the Town prepared a budget for this fiscal year beginning July 1. The operating budget includes proposed expenditures and the means of financing them.
2. A meeting of the inhabitants of the Town of Raymond was then called for the purpose of adopting the proposed budget after public notice of the meeting was given.
3. The budget was adopted subsequent to passage by the inhabitants of the Town.

The Town does not adopt budgets for the Special Revenue Funds.

G. – Cash and Investments

Maine statutes authorize the Town to invest in obligations of the U.S. Treasury and U.S. agencies, repurchase agreements and certain corporate stocks and bonds. Generally, the Town invests certain funds in checking, savings accounts or certificates of deposit.

The Town has defined cash and cash equivalents to include cash on hand, demand deposits, and cash with fiscal agent. Investments are recorded at fair market value.

H. – Capital Assets

Capital assets purchased or acquired with an original cost of \$7,500 or more (\$10,000 for building additions) are reported at historical cost or estimated historical cost. Contributed assets are reported at fair market value as of the date received. Additions, improvements and other capital outlays that significantly extend the useful life of an asset are capitalized. Other costs incurred for repairs and maintenance are expensed as incurred. Depreciation on all assets is provided on the straight-line basis over the following estimated useful lives:

Buildings & Improvements	7 - 40 Years
Equipment	5 - 20 Years
Vehicles	5 - 20 Years
Infrastructure	40 Years

The Town of Raymond has elected not to retroactively report their major general infrastructure assets.

TOWN OF RAYMOND
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
JUNE 30, 2008

NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

I. – Compensated Absences

The Town of Raymond recognizes accumulated sick leave compensation during the period in which the related liability is incurred. In compliance with Town personnel policies the liability for accrued compensated absence pay was \$112,959 at June 30, 2008.

J. – Interfund Activity

Interfund activity is reported as either loans, services provided, reimbursements or transfers. Loans are reported as interfund receivables and payables as appropriate and are subject to elimination upon consolidation. Services provided, deemed to be at market or near market rates, are treated as revenues and expenditures/expenses. Reimbursements are when one fund incurs a cost, charges the appropriate benefiting fund and reduces its related cost as a reimbursement. All other interfund transactions are treated as transfers. Transfers between governmental or proprietary funds are netted as part of the reconciliation to the government-wide financial statements.

K. – Equity Classifications

Government-Wide Statements

Net assets represent the differences between assets and liabilities. Equity is classified as net assets and displayed in three components:

- Invested in capital assets, net of related debt – consists of capital assets including restricted capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation and reduced by the outstanding balances of any bonds, mortgages, notes, or other borrowings that are attributable to the acquisition, construction, or improvement of those assets.
- Restricted net assets – consists of net assets with constraints placed on the use either by (1) external groups such as creditors, grantors, contributors, or laws or regulations of other governments; or (2) law through constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.
- Unrestricted net assets – all other net assets that do not meet the definition of “restricted” or “invested in capital assets, net of related debt.”

Fund Statements

Governmental fund equity is classified as fund balance. Fund balance is further classified as reserved and unreserved, with unreserved further split between designated and undesignated. Proprietary fund equity is classified the same as in the government-wide statements.

TOWN OF RAYMOND
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
JUNE 30, 2008

NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

L. – Use of Estimates

Preparation of financial statements in conformity with GAAP requires the use of management's estimates and assumptions. Those estimates and assumptions affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities, and the reported revenues and expenses. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

M. – Inventories

All inventories are valued at the lower of cost (average cost) or market value in governmental and business-type funds.

NOTE 2 – CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

Maine statutes authorize the Town to invest in obligations of the U.S. Treasury and U.S. Agencies, repurchase agreements and certain corporate stocks and bonds. Generally, the Town invests such excess funds in checking accounts, savings accounts, certificates of deposit and U.S. government obligations (through an investment group owned by a financial institution).

A. Deposits

The Town's deposits are categorized as follows to give an indication of the level of risk assumed by the Town at year end: Category 1 includes deposits covered by federal depository insurance or by collateral held by the Town or by the Town's agent in the Town's name; Category 2 includes uninsured deposits covered by collateral held by the pledging financial institution's trust department or agent in the Town's name; Category 3 includes uninsured and uncollateralized deposits.

At June 30, 2008, all cash and cash equivalents were categorized as either Category 1 or Category 2.

B. Investments

Government Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 3 requires the investments to be classified into three categories. Category 1 includes investments which are insured or registered or for which the securities are held by the Town or its agent in the Town's name. Category 2 includes uninsured and unregistered investments, investments held by the financial institution's trust department or agent in the Town's name. Category 3 includes uninsured and unregistered investments for which the securities are held by the financial institution's trust department or agent, but not in the Town's name.

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NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
JUNE 30, 2008

NOTE 2 – CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS (CONTINUED)

B. Investments (Continued)

	Carrying Amount at Market	<u>1</u>	Category <u>2</u>	<u>3</u>
Money Market Funds	\$ 96,062	\$ 96,062	\$ 0	\$ 0
Corporate Stocks & Bonds in Mutual Funds	<u>144,863</u>	<u>144,863</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Total	<u>\$ 240,925</u>	<u>\$ 240,925</u>	<u>\$ 0</u>	<u>\$ 0</u>

NOTE 3 – PROPERTY TAXES

The Town is responsible for assessing, collecting and distributing property taxes in accordance with enabling state legislation. The Town of Raymond's property tax is levied on the assessed value listed as of the prior April 1st for all taxable real and personal property located in the Town.

Assessed values are periodically established by the Board of Assessors at 100% of assumed market value. The assessed value for the list of April 1, 2007, upon which the levy for the year ended June 30, 2008, was based, amounted to \$973,544,181. The assessment value was 102.3% of the 2007 State valuation of \$951,700,000.

The Town is permitted by the laws of the State of Maine to levy taxes up to 105% of its net budgeted expenditures for the related fiscal period. The amount raised in excess of 100% is referred to as overlay and amounted to \$247,647 for the year ended June 30, 2008.

All property taxes are recognized in compliance with NCGA Interpretation – 3, *Revenue Recognition – Property Taxes* which states that such revenue is recorded when it becomes measurable and available. Available means due, or past due and receivable within the current period and collected no longer than 60 days after the close of the current period.

Tax liens are placed on real property within twelve months following the tax commitment date if taxes are delinquent. The Town has the authority to foreclose on property eighteen months after the filing of the lien if tax liens and associated costs remain unpaid. The following summarizes the 2007-2008 levy:

Assessed Value	\$ 973,544,181
Less Homestead Exemption	(6,948,500)
Net Assessed Value	\$ 966,595,681
Tax Rate (Per \$1,000)	<u>10.20</u>
Commitment	\$ 9,859,276
Supplemental Taxes Assessed	<u>11,576</u>
Subtotal	\$ 9,870,852
Less: Abatements	(15,725)
Collections	<u>(9,423,982)</u>
Receivable at Year End	<u>\$ 431,145</u>
Collection Rate	<u>95.5 %</u>

TOWN OF RAYMOND
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
JUNE 30, 2008

NOTE 3 – PROPERTY TAXES (CONTINUED)

Property taxes on real and personal property accounts were due October 31, 2007, and April 30, 2008. Interest was charged at a rate of 12% on delinquent accounts after those dates.

NOTE 4 – CAPITAL ASSETS

Capital asset activity for the year ended June 30, 2008, was as follows:

	Beginning Balance <u>7/1/07</u>	Additions/ Completions	Retirements/ Adjustments	Ending Balance <u>6/30/08</u>
Governmental Activities				
Capital Assets Not Being Depreciated:				
Land	\$ 430,423	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 430,423
Capital Assets Being Depreciated:				
Buildings and Improvements	\$ 16,664,017	\$ 11,296	\$ 0	\$ 16,675,313
Machinery and Equipment	583,559	106,323	62,949	626,933
Vehicles	2,486,695	31,050	170,548	2,347,197
Infrastructure	<u>1,507,130</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1,507,130</u>
Total Capital Assets Being Depreciated	\$ 21,241,401	\$ 148,669	\$ 233,497	\$ 21,156,573
Less Accumulated Depreciation for:				
Buildings and Improvements	\$ 7,178,992	\$ 274,077	\$ 0	\$ 7,453,069
Machinery and Equipment	362,042	51,131	62,949	350,224
Vehicles	1,074,116	194,103	155,587	1,112,632
Infrastructure	<u>131,875</u>	<u>37,679</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>169,554</u>
Total Accumulated Depreciation	\$ 8,747,025	\$ 556,990	\$ 218,536	\$ 9,085,479
Total Capital Assets Being Depreciated, Net	\$ 12,494,376	\$ (408,321)	\$ 14,961	\$ 12,071,094
Governmental Activities Capital Assets, Net	<u>\$ 12,924,799</u>	<u>\$ (408,321)</u>	<u>\$ 14,961</u>	<u>\$ 12,501,517</u>
Business-Type Activities				
Capital Assets Being Depreciated:				
Equipment	\$ 10,595	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 10,595
Less Accumulated Depreciation	<u>(10,595)</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>(10,595)</u>
Business-Type Activities, Net	<u>\$ 0</u>	<u>\$ 0</u>	<u>\$ 0</u>	<u>\$ 0</u>

Depreciation expense has not been charged as a direct expense.

TOWN OF RAYMOND
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
JUNE 30, 2008

NOTE 5 – LONG-TERM DEBT

At June 30, 2008, bonds payable consisted of the following individual issues:

	<u>Governmental Activities</u>
Maine Municipal Bond Bank	
Solid Waste Bonds of 1994 Series D (Non-Taxable), Interest Rate 6.100%, Annual Principal Payments of \$41,536 - \$131,379, Maturity in 2014.	\$ 919,656
1999 School Bond, Interest Rates of 4.04% - 5.24%, Annual Principal Payments of \$389,757, Maturity in 2019.	4,677,089
2002 Consolidated Bond Series F 2002, Interest Rates 2.03% - 4.13%, Annual Principal Payments of \$205,788, Maturity in 2017.	2,057,874
2004 Road Reconstruction Bonds Series D, Interest Rate 3.239%, Annual Principal Payments of \$95,000, Maturity in 2014.	665,000
2004 Consolidated Bond Series D, Interest Rate 3.239%, Annual Principal Payments of \$55,000, Maturity in 2014.	<u>385,000</u>
Total Bonds & Leases Payable	<u><u>\$ 8,704,619</u></u>

Changes in Outstanding Debt

Transactions for the year ended June 30, 2008, are summarized as follows:

Governmental Activities	<u>Balance July 1</u>	<u>Issues or Additions</u>	<u>Payments or Expenditures</u>	<u>Balance June 30</u>	<u>Due Within One Year</u>
General Obligation Bonds	\$ 9,581,545	\$ 0	\$ 876,926	\$ 8,704,619	\$ 876,924
Capital Leases	15,737	0	15,737	0	0
Compensated Absences	<u>145,894</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>32,935</u>	<u>112,959</u>	<u>0</u>
Total	<u><u>\$ 9,743,176</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 0</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 925,598</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 8,817,578</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 876,924</u></u>

TOWN OF RAYMOND
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
JUNE 30, 2008

NOTE 5 – LONG-TERM DEBT (CONTINUED)

Annual Requirements to Retire Debt Obligations

The annual aggregate maturities for each debt type for the years subsequent to June 30, 2008, are as follows:

	<u>Governmental Activities</u>		
<u>Year Ending June 30</u>	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Interest</u>	<u>Total</u>
2008/09	876,924	384,631	1,261,555
2009/10	876,924	348,369	1,225,293
2010/11	876,924	310,581	1,187,505
2011/12	876,924	270,918	1,147,842
2012/13	876,924	230,368	1,107,292
2013/18	3,540,483	590,221	4,130,704
2018/23	<u>779,516</u>	<u>40,838</u>	<u>820,354</u>
Total	<u>\$ 8,704,619</u>	<u>\$ 2,175,926</u>	<u>\$10,880,545</u>

The amount of debt that can be incurred by a municipality is limited by state statute. Total outstanding term obligations during a year can be no greater than 15% of the assessed value of taxable property as of the beginning of the fiscal year. As of June 30, 2008, the amount of outstanding term debt was equal to 0.89% of property valuation for the year then ended.

NOTE 6 – DEFINED PENSION PLAN

Maine State Retirement System

Eligible teachers and staff of Raymond School are covered by the Maine State Retirement System (MSRS). The Town of Raymond is not legally required to contribute to the Maine State Retirement System which is fully funded by the State. Since all teachers in the state are included as one group, the amount of the contributions made on behalf of the teachers and staff of Raymond School are unavailable. Other Town employees do not participate in the Maine State Retirement System.

A. Plan Description

Public school teachers contribute to the Maine State Retirement System ("System"), an agent multiple-employer public employee retirement system that acts as a common investment and administrative agent for public school teachers, state employees (except as members of the judiciary and legislature who are covered under the Judicial and Legislative Retirement Systems) and political subdivisions.

TOWN OF RAYMOND
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NOTE 6 – DEFINED PENSION PLAN (CONTINUED)

Maine State Retirement System (Continued)

A. Plan Description (Continued)

Public school teachers contribute to the Maine State Retirement System ("System"), an All public school teachers participate in the System. Benefits vest after ten years of service. Teachers who retire at or after age 60 with 25 years of credited service are entitled to an annual retirement benefit payable monthly for life, in an amount equal to 2% of the average of their highest three year earnings per year of service. The System also provides death and disability benefits. These benefit provisions and all other requirements are established by State statute.

Teachers are required to contribute 6.5% of their annual salary to the System. The State of Maine contributes the remaining amounts necessary to fund the System, using the actuarial basis specified by statute. The Town is required to contribute a comparable amount for those teachers funded by Federal grants.

B. Funding Status and Progress

Information concerning the pension benefit obligation for public school teachers is available from the System.

C. Trend Information

Trend information gives an indication of the progress made in accumulating sufficient assets to pay benefits when due. Trend information is not currently available from the System.

Deferred Compensation Plan

The government offers its employees a deferred compensation plan through ICMA Retirement Corporation, created in accordance with Internal Revenue Code Section 457. The plan, available to all government employees, permits them to defer a portion of their salary until future years. Participation in the plan is optional.

The deferred compensation is not available to employees until termination, retirement, death or unforeseeable emergency. All rights purchased with those amounts, and all income attributable to those amounts, property or rights are (until paid or made available to the employee or other beneficiary) solely the property and rights of the government subject only to the claims of the government's general creditors. Participants' rights under the plan are equal to those of general creditors of the government in an amount equal to the fair market value of the deferred account for each participant.

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NOTE 6 – DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION PLAN (CONTINUED)

Deferred Compensation Plan (Continued)

It is the opinion of the government's legal counsel that the government has no liability for losses under the plan but does have the duty of due care that would be required of an ordinary prudent investor. The government believes it is unlikely that it will use the assets to satisfy the claims of general creditors in the future.

Investments are managed by the plan's trustee under one of four investment options, or a combination thereof. The choice of the investment options is made by the participants.

Pension expense for the year ended June 30, 2008, was \$41,622 based upon eligible wages of \$613,236. Total Town wages for the year ended June 30, 2008, was \$1,080,489.

NOTE 7 – INTERFUND ACTIVITY

Interfund balances at June 30, 2008, consisted of the following:

Due To	
General Fund	\$ 20,020
Enterprise Fund	3,281
Non Major Governmental Funds:	
Special Revenue Funds	131,019
Capital Project Funds	<u>366,313</u>
Total	<u>\$ 520,633</u>
Due From	
General Fund	\$ 500,613
Non Major Governmental Funds:	
Special Revenue Funds	17,694
Permanent Funds	<u>2,326</u>
Total	<u>\$ 520,633</u>

These balances resulted from the time lag between the dates that (1) interfund goods and services are provided or reimbursable expenditures occur, (2) transactions are recorded in the accounting system, and (3) payments between funds are made.

Interfund transfers for the year ended June 30, 2008, consisted of the following:

Transfer To	
Non Major Governmental Funds:	
Special Revenue Funds	\$ 199,796
Capital Project Funds	<u>480,000</u>
Total	<u>\$ 679,796</u>
Transfer From	
General Fund	<u>\$ 679,796</u>

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NOTE 7 – INTERFUND ACTIVITY (CONTINUED)

Transfers are used to (1) move revenues from the fund that statute or budget requires to collect them to the fund that statute or budget requires to expend them, and (2) use unrestricted revenues collected in the general fund to finance various programs accounted for in other funds in accordance with budgetary authorizations.

NOTE 8 – RISK MANAGEMENT

The Town is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; and natural disasters for which the Town carries commercial insurance.

There have been no significant reductions in insurance coverages during the fiscal year and no significant settlements that exceeded insurance coverage.

NOTE 9 – OVERLAPPING DEBT

The Town's proportionate share of Cumberland County's debt is not recorded in the financial statements of the Town of Raymond. At June 30, 2008, the Town's share was 2.53% (or \$159,125), of the County's outstanding debt of \$6,295,000.

The Town's proportionate share of the Ecomaine's debt is not recorded in the financial statements of the Town of Raymond. At June 30, 2008, the Town's share was 0.26% (or \$81,975) of the System's outstanding debt of \$31,900,000.

The Town entered into an agreement with Regional Waste Systems, Inc. (RWS) to fund a material recycling facility. The Town's share of the debt will be paid through service charges and tipping fees over the life of the project. The agreement with RWS provides that if certain minimum usage requirements are not met, the Town is required to provide payments to cover the deficiency.

NOTE 10 – FUND BALANCE APPROPRIATIONS

At the Annual Town Meeting held on May 19, 2007 and Special Town Meeting on February 5, 2008, the Townspeople voted appropriations of general fund balance totaling \$911,000, which are reflected as the excess of budgeted expenditures over budgeted revenues as per Exhibit XI. These appropriations were for the following purposes:

Reduce Commitment - School	\$ 616,000
Reduce Commitment – Town	150,000
Capital Projects – School	<u>145,000</u>
Total	<u>\$ 911,000</u>

NOTE 11 – TAX INCREMENT FINANCING DISTRICTS

On March 20, 1999, the Town of Raymond voters designated certain property along the Portland Natural Gas Transmission System as a municipal development and tax increment financing (TIF) district pursuant to the Maine Revised Statutes. The TIF district will be utilized to facilitate economic and community development within the Town of Raymond's business district. The Town will retain the net new property tax generated by new investment in the TIF district for the activities that will provide new employment and community development opportunities and/or improve and broaden the tax base. Over the 30 year life of the TIF, approximately \$2.5 million will be generated.

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NOTE 12 – PERMANENT FUND INVESTMENTS

Trust fund investments are shown in the balance sheet at the fair market value at June 30, 2008, was as follows:

	Pooled Trust
Money Market Funds	\$ 96,062
Common Stock and Bonds in Mutual Funds	144,863
Market Value	<u>\$ 240,925</u>

There were no realized gains or losses. The first-in, first-out (FIFO) method is used to determine the cost of each security at the time of sale.

Principal fund balance on a cost basis of the permanent funds at year end consisted of the following:

Cemetery Funds	<u>Principal</u>	<u>Income</u>	<u>Total</u>
Cemetery Trusts	\$ 41,788	\$ 19,243	\$ 61,031
Riverside Cemetery	22,311	7,203	29,514
Laurette Files Account	3,781	5,282	9,063
North Raymond Cemetery	<u>1,864</u>	<u>510</u>	<u>2,374</u>
Total	<u>\$ 69,744</u>	<u>\$ 32,238</u>	<u>\$ 101,982</u>
 Scholarship Funds			
Collins – Day	\$ 12,982	\$ 9,944	\$ 22,926
Carleton E. Edwards	15,162	3,604	18,766
George E. Woods	18,987	5,871	24,858
Alva Clough	3,282	1,448	4,730
Torstein Johannas Lund	<u>2,332</u>	<u>1,920</u>	<u>4,252</u>
Total	<u>\$ 52,745</u>	<u>\$ 22,787</u>	<u>\$ 75,532</u>
 Ministerial Trust	<u>\$ 2,175</u>	<u>\$ 12,904</u>	<u>\$ 15,079</u>
 Recreation Fund	<u>\$ 10,050</u>	<u>\$ 11,540</u>	<u>\$ 21,590</u>
 Spiegel Fund	<u>\$ 25,000</u>	<u>\$ (584)</u>	<u>\$ 24,416</u>
 Total Permanent Funds	<u>\$ 159,714</u>	<u>\$ 78,885</u>	<u>\$ 238,599</u>

NOTE 13 – STATE REIMBURSEMENT FOR DEBT SERVICE EXPENDITURES

Under a provision of state law, the State of Maine reimburses the School for the financial costs of various approved School construction projects. Annual principal and interest payments of \$635,158 for the School Department debt was received for the year ended June 30, 2008. Such amounts were used to reduce the assessments levied to the participating municipalities. Future reimbursements are dependent upon appropriation by the legislature of the State of Maine.

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NOTE 14 – FUND BALANCE – OTHER GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

Fund balance per Exhibit III at year end consisted of amounts which the Town of Raymond intends to use for the following purposes:

Reserved for Grant and Entitlement Purposes

Local Entitlement	\$ 37,920
Panther Pond Project Grant	15,715
Title IIA Teacher Quality	14,541
Title I	3,540
Communities for Children	2,850
Drug Free/Title IV	2,068
Title V Innovative Education	879
Per Pupil Development	546
Title II D ED Tech State Grant	543
Rural School Achievement (REAP)	12
Mentoring Grant	(78)
21 st Century Grant	(8,344)
Panther Pond Stormwater Grant	<u>(17,694)</u>
Total	<u>\$ 52,498</u>

Reserved for Special Revenues

Tax Incremental Financing	\$ 39,893
Community Assistance Fund	12,366
Veteran's Memorial	<u>8,568</u>
Total	<u>\$ 60,827</u>

Reserved for Capital Projects

Capital Improvements- School	\$ 119,429
Fire Dept Reserve	81,038
Assessing Reserve	42,000
Open Space Reserve	40,716
Public Works Paving Reserve	30,641
Raymond Pond Project	8,928
Fire Truck Typhoon 2004	5,851
Sheri Gagnon Park	5,330
Assessing Software Reserve	5,000
Water Watch Account	5,000
Public Works Equipment Reserve	3,936
Fire Dept Review Fees	3,925
Hazardous Waste Reserve	3,750
Town Manager Vehicle	3,439
Voting Machine Reserve	3,250
District II Repairs	1,869
Public Safety Building Reserve	1,181
Fire Tower	747
Town Hall Reserve	<u>283</u>
Total	<u>\$ 366,313</u>

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NOTE 15 – AMOUNTS HELD FOR OTHERS

Amounts held for others in The Agency Funds are comprised of the following:

Jordan Small Middle School

Drama	\$	12,663	
Field Trips – Class of 2009		540	
Student Senate		295	
Yearbook		289	
Resource Cooking		193	
Locker Deposit Fund		161	
Vanessa Jordan Memorial Fund		95	
Coffee		69	
Agenda Fee		28	
Miscellaneous		<u>(9)</u>	\$ <u>14,324</u>

Raymond Elementary School

Innisbrook	\$	2,718	
Grade 4 Field Trip		654	
Recycling Grant		497	
Letter Boxing		314	
Sun Safety Grant		(103)	
Bank Charges		<u>(137)</u>	<u>3,943</u>

Student Activities

General Fund	\$	5,789	
Sunshine		2,325	
Library Donation		7	
Other		(47)	
Road Runner Newspaper		(581)	
In/Out		<u>(2,557)</u>	<u>4,936</u>

Total			\$ <u>23,203</u>
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EXHIBIT XI

**TOWN OF RAYMOND
GENERAL FUND
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE
BUDGET AND ACTUAL
FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008**

	<u>Original</u>	<u>Final</u>	<u>Actual Amounts</u>	Variance with Final Budget Positive (Negative)
Revenues				
Taxes	\$ 10,685,115	\$ 10,685,115	\$ 10,546,435	\$ (138,680)
Intergovernmental	1,729,863	1,729,863	1,901,629	171,766
Licenses, Permits & Fees	152,000	152,000	88,927	(63,073)
Charges for Services	149,510	149,510	187,793	38,283
Investment Income	108,000	108,000	118,978	10,978
Other	<u>126,668</u>	<u>126,668</u>	<u>118,006</u>	<u>(8,662)</u>
Total Revenues	<u>\$ 12,951,156</u>	<u>\$ 12,951,156</u>	<u>\$ 12,961,768</u>	<u>\$ 10,612</u>
Expenditures				
Current:				
General Government	\$ 1,324,817	\$ 1,324,817	\$ 1,234,775	\$ 90,042
Public Works	1,011,328	1,011,328	1,000,004	11,324
Protection	603,435	603,435	601,252	2,183
Culture & Recreation	65,915	65,915	65,896	19
Public Health & Welfare	2,000	2,000	70	1,930
Education	9,052,957	9,052,957	9,092,993	(40,036)
Debt Service	214,199	214,199	214,198	1
Fixed Charges	754,892	754,892	522,969	231,923
Capital Outlay	<u>152,817</u>	<u>152,817</u>	<u>152,817</u>	<u>0</u>
Total Expenditures	<u>\$ 13,182,360</u>	<u>\$ 13,182,360</u>	<u>\$ 12,884,974</u>	<u>\$ 297,386</u>
Excess (Deficiency) of Revenue over (Under) Expenditures	\$ (231,204)	\$ (231,204)	\$ 76,794	\$ 307,998
Other Financing Sources (Uses)				
Transfers (Out)	<u>(534,796)</u>	<u>(679,796)</u>	<u>(679,796)</u>	<u>0</u>
Net Change In Fund Balance	\$ (766,000)	\$ (911,000)	\$ (603,002)	\$ 307,998
Fund Balance – July 1, 2007	<u>2,436,537</u>	<u>2,436,537</u>	<u>2,436,537</u>	<u>0</u>
Fund Balance – June 30, 2008	<u>\$ 1,670,537</u>	<u>\$ 1,525,537</u>	<u>\$ 1,833,535</u>	<u>\$ 307,998</u>

The Notes to the Financial Statements are an Integral Part of This Statement.

Smith & Associates, CPAs
A Professional Association

Yarmouth, Maine 04096

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TAX BALANCES AS OF JUNE 30, 2007 (+ INDICATES PAYMENT AFTER THAT DATE AND PRIOR TO JANUARY 15, 2009)

NAME	ACCT	MAP	LOT	SUB	TYPE	07/08	+	06/07	+
1227 ROOSEVELT TRAIL ASSOC LLC	R3006R	55	33					\$6,081.24	+
1270 ROOSEVELT TRAIL PROP LLC	V0260R	53	2			\$2,047.14	+		
1270 ROOSEVELT TRAIL PROP LLC	V3131R	53	1			\$811.92	+		
1995 RICHARD PAUL SHELDON LIV	S3131R	54	38			\$3,112.32	+		
6 LEGACY ROAD 2004 REALTY TRUST	B1350R	24	70	B		\$2,926.38			
ABOVE GRADE DEVELOPMENT CORP	A5004R	66	40			\$4,993.92	+		
ALC LLC	B1550R	51	12			\$2,705.55	+		
ALEXANDER DONALD E	A0380R	55	27			\$1,191.36			
ALLEN GEORGE, SUSAN	A1017R	15	89	A		\$1,406.43			
ANDREWS WALTER R	A7005R	60	8			\$1,588.14			
ARMSTRONG TIMOTHY B	A4005R	76	5			\$3,156.90		\$2,056.52	
ARSENAULT ANTHONY, JULIE	A3003R	8	65	H		\$3,723.00			
BAGLEY JOHN	B0270R	13	73	F		\$2,747.88			
BAKER DAVID, KATHLEEN	B0150R	52	23			\$1,298.46	+		
BANCROFT DONALD, JANICE	B0210R	6	46			\$1,127.61	+		
BARTLETT GEORGE, JANE	B0395R	10	8	C		\$223.89	+		
BARTOLOMEO CARL R	B0435R	47	8			\$1,562.64			
BEATTIE ANTHONY W	B7008R	42	80			\$2,496.96	+		
BEECHER JOSEPH J	G5555R	6	6			\$602.82		\$704.82	
BEGIN CHERYL A	B1123R	12	37			\$13.26	+		
BERNIER GERI	B0890R	22	39			\$527.34	+	\$34.62	+
BISSON MARICA J	B6005R	11	42	9		\$3,303.78	+		
BLACKBURN THOMAS, MARTHA	B3015R	55	23			\$6,774.84		\$3,783.31	
BLUHM GERALD, NADIA L	L0780R	21	38			\$5.50	+		
BOYLE JAMES	P0300R	42	37			\$2,219.52		\$632.40	
BRANDT MAX, JEAN	D0001R	16	61			\$1,742.16		\$1,768.68	
BRIGGS CARY, VALERY LAMB	B4014R	5	10			\$1,680.96			
BRIGGS IRENE, CHRISTINE	B1980R	21	27			\$625.90	+		
BROADHEAD MARILYN E	B2010R	21	27			\$1,067.94	+		
BROWN DAVID	B2112R	54	1			\$6.37	+		
BUBIER STEPHANIE	B0899R	9	5			\$697.17	+		
BUCKLEY JEFFREY, TARA	B0009R	8	20			\$1,154.85	+		
BUSQUE MICHELLE	W0285R	14	1			\$860.88	+		
BUSQUE PETER	W0290R	6	30			\$184.62	+		
BUSQUE PETER J	B6006R	5	1			\$1,246.44	+		
BUZZELL DWAYNE	M3007R	13	7	E		\$2,873.34			
C T CLINTON LLC	C7004R	8	54			\$7,238.18	+		
CALLAHAN STEPHEN J	C4012R	52	20	J16		\$201.96	+	\$106.77	+
CANAAN DEVELOPMENT INC	C4025R	11	41	F		\$568.14			
CAREY DAVID A	C0330R	30	43			\$1,872.72		\$1,872.72	
CAREY ELIZABETH D	C0250R	31	3			\$592.62		\$592.62	
CAREY ELIZABETH D	C0260R	30	3			\$684.42		\$684.42	
CAREY ELIZABETH D	C0280R	30	16			\$847.62		\$847.62	

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NAME	ACCT	MAP	LOT	SUB	TYPE	07/08	+	06/07	+
CAREY LOUIS E HEIR C/O DAVID	C0310R	31	2			\$526.32		\$526.32	
CARR MATTHEW P WILLIAM N	C1050R	76	78			\$216.24	+	\$216.24	+
CARVER ENTERPRISES INC	C5030R	46	8			\$2,773.38	+	\$133.26	+
CARVER JOHN, MICHELLE	C4008R	46	34			\$1,594.26	+	\$85.73	+
CAYER PATRICK	C7105R	18	34	A		\$893.52	+		
CAYER PATRICK FIELDCREST PROP LLC	C6014R	18	30	A		\$612.00	+		
CHAMBERLAIN CHARLES, DONNA	C0127R	20	2			\$874.14	+	\$874.14	+
CHAPMAN WILLIAM, HEIDI	C5025R	18	27	A		\$636.48		\$318.24	
CHUTE DEBORAH	C7030R	18	10			\$599.76			
COLE DARREN, ELIZABETH	C7045R	13	71	A		\$584.46	+		
COMBS SUSAN L	C1515R	28	18			\$4,784.31	+		
CONLEY ROBERT, DONNA	C1580R	15	79			\$1,122.00		\$1,122.00	
COPPERSMITH WILLIAM, MARYANN	A0315R	52	108			\$603.84		\$603.84	
COPPERSMITH WILLIAM, MARYANN	A0355R	52	50	102	A	\$122.40		\$122.40	
CORBEAU HOWARD, DEROSIA CARRIE A	C1800R	8	73			\$733.38	+		
COX JEFFREY, CYNTHIA	C7040R	55	3			\$4,624.68			
CRESCENT LAKE COTTAGE CONDO	G0390R	31	44			\$1,679.94		\$1,679.94	
CUNNINGHAM RICHARD C	C2370R	10	124			\$1,538.16		\$1,538.16	+
CURTIS FRANK P II, DONNA	C2470R	15	39			\$2,575.50		\$2,409.24	
DAVIS AMY, PLUMMER RICHARD	D0171R	11	15			\$444.21	+		
DAY ALICE, KRISTOPHER	D0330R	12	13			\$558.96	+		
DEARING ANDREW, SARAH	D3003R	50	17			\$1,649.34	+		
DEEP COVE SHORES TRUST	D0360R	60	7			\$596.70		\$596.70	+
DEEP COVE SHORES TRUST	D0361R	60	17			\$5,768.10		\$5,768.10	
DEEP COVE SHORES TRUST	D6004R	60	6			\$175.44		\$175.44	
DOLLOFF C RICHARD	D0920R	8	71			\$2,071.62		\$2,071.62	+
DOUGLASS CHRISTINA B	D1125R	18	10					\$599.76	
DREW COLLEEN ODUM	O0175R	6	32			\$295.35	+		
DREW FRANKLIN, CHRISTINA	D1220R	6	37			\$245.06	+		
DYER DANIELLE, ASHTON DONALD	D6002R	11	42	6		\$5,905.80	+	\$5,905.80	+
EMMONS EVELYN	E0400R	14	5			\$882.41	+		
EYRE MARTIN	E0435R	11	46	1		\$1,102.11	+		
FARRELL CAROL	F0052R	14	12			\$1,499.40	+		
FEENSTRA MARK	F6012R	54	75			\$2,127.72			
FEENSTRA MARK	W5004R	3	5			\$268.65	+		
FIELDCREST PROP LLC	F7107R	18	34	B		\$989.40	+		
FIELDCREST PROP LLC	K1060R	18	30			\$597.72	+		
FIELDING GERTRUDE, WILLIAM III	F4007R	35	2			\$166.26	+		
FINOCHETTI JOHN	F0350R	53	9			\$5.34	+		
FISHER JAMES, KIMBERLY	S1430R	16	57			\$1,091.91			
FLAHIVE CHARLES, GLORIA	F0540R	2	7			\$1,131.69	+		
FLOYD JAMES E	F4011R	8	93	A		\$52.56	+		
GARDNER MAURICE R	G0550R	66	34			\$5,245.86		\$2,269.87	+

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NAME	ACCT	MAP	LOT	SUB	TYPE	07/08	+	06/07	+
GARDNER ROBERT, DIANA	G0545R	42	63			\$609.84	+		
GARDNER SCOTT RUSSELL	G0548R	9	41	B		\$237.15	+		
GARDNER SCOTT RUSSELL	N0385R	8	101			\$1,205.64	+		
GERDING DAVID, JENNIFER	G0750R	14	25			\$2,002.26	+	\$999.60	+
GIFFORD CHARLES H HEIRS	G0880R	40	27			\$28.56			
GLEW KERRY E	G1093R	59	4			\$2,513.28			
GLICOS DAVID G	G1101R	30	40			\$3,545.52	+		
GLICOS DAVID G	G1102R	30	20			\$281.52	+		
GORDAN SCOTT, VICKI	G1225R	56	3			\$4,603.77	+		
GRANT RAY, PAMELA	G1390R	55	21			\$3,114.02	+		
GREIG AMY, COLIN	G0402R	4	28	B		\$1,517.13	+		
GRIFFIN DAVID ,EDELTRUD ET AL	G1650R	76	12			\$1,343.34		\$1,343.34	
GUIMONT BRIAN, JANICE	G1765R	76	53			\$988.89			
GUIMONT JANICE	G1766R	76	54			\$453.35			
GWENDOLYN ACQUISITIONS LLC	W6011R	2	24	B		\$563.04			
HALL THOMAS	H0090R	69	92			\$14.62	+		
HAMM JOAN M	H0485R	41	50			\$275.40		\$275.40	
HANDY LARRY III,ERDINE	H0105R	16	58			\$1,120.47	+		
HANSCOM FRANKIE	H3012R	16	5	A		\$1,054.68	+		
HANSCOM LINDA, JAMES	H6015R	50	8	A		\$264.18	+		
HARTMAN BRUCE, CONSTANCE	H3011R	3	32			\$16,011.96	+		
HAUGHEY JAMES	H1050R	30	45			\$1,299.32	+		
HEDTLER KRISTINE	R4019R	18	18	B		\$1,098.89			
HETHCOAT CHARLES, SHELLY	H1315R	8	62			\$4,263.60		\$4,043.28	
HODGDON CHRISTOPHER,KINDERLY	H1717R	18	11	6		\$2,131.80	+	\$2,028.26	+
HOLMAN CRAIG E	H6002R	67	6			\$2,059.99	+		
HURD BETH ANN, CHEVARIE GEORGE	A0180R	15	92			\$984.30			
IRISH DOUGLAS L	B0960R	13	63			\$2,106.30	+		
IRVIN LINDA K	I0140R	41	94			\$2,185.86		\$2,318.46	+
JACOBS MICHELE, JONATHAN	J6002R	5	3			\$950.13	+		
JOHNSON BRUCE L	J0015R	76	39			\$834.36		\$834.36	
JOHNSON BRUCE L	J0017R	76	67			\$963.90		\$963.90	
JOHNSON CAROLINE, CYNTHIA	J1130R	18	18	L		\$26.66	+		
JOHNSON TIMOTHY, DENISE	J0370R	41	20			\$21.91	+		
JONES STEVEN, CHARLES CAMP	L6005R	21	11			\$2,130.78		\$2,130.78	
KARANTZA STEPHEN, LEAH	P1910R	52	20	J74		\$232.56	+		
KCJ ENTERPRISES LLC	K6001R	31	5			\$1,624.86	+	\$1,624.86	+
KEMP BRENDA, ANDREW	K5016R	17	57	A		\$1,462.68	+		
KEYWORTH MICHAEL	K4004R	7	6			\$2,193.00	+	\$2,060.40	+
KIRBY MARILYN, COURTNEY ANN	K7013R	24	29			\$263.93	+		
KLINKERCH EDMUND, DACIA	K0730R	16	51	E		\$1,452.48	+		
KNIGHT GEORGE S	K0840R	12	14			\$1,439.22		\$1,439.22	
KNIGHT GEORGE S	K0850R	12	49			\$1,578.96		\$1,578.96	

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NAME	ACCT	MAP	LOT	SUB	TYPE	07/08	+	06/07	+
KNIGHT MARY M	K7006R	12	20			\$385.05	+		
KNIGHTS MICHAEL, MELISSA	K0109R	4	68	C		\$1,439.22	+		
KNIGHTS ROGER C	K0950R	8	74			\$2,101.20	+		
KPRV REALTY TRUST	K0001R	30	39	A		\$5.06	+		
KRAFT MARGARET M	K1080R	1	7			\$3,504.72		\$3,504.72	
KRAUTER MARTIN, LUCINDA	K1120R	10	17			\$1,654.44		\$1,654.44	
LAMONTAGNE PAUL, CRYSTAL	L0211R	52	50	I17	B	\$61.20	+		
LAMONTAGNE PAUL, CRYSTAL	L0216R	52	50	I06	A	\$61.20	+		
LAMONTAGNE PAUL, CRYSTAL	L0217R	52	66			\$672.69			
LAMONTANGE JAN M	L6003R	3	1			\$2,205.24	+	\$888.52	+
LANGLOIS DONNA A	L0275R	31	28			\$2,107.32	+		
LAUGHLIN MARK E	L0400R	41	89			\$1,285.20	+		
LEWIS JAMES, DANIEL	L0880R	21	2			\$227.46		\$227.46	
LIASATA MANAGEMENT LLC	L6024R	17	43			\$18.77	+		
LINDSAY GORDON, PATRICIA	L1030R	47	10			\$2,330.70	+		
LOCKLEAR LOYD, KAREN	J0040R	4	53			\$2,200.14		\$1,100.07	
MADIGAN ALEXIS S	S1070R	69	5			\$176.05	+		
MADORE TODD, CYNTHIA	M5034R	11	43			\$1,175.38	+		
MAGUR GARY, COLLEEN	M5040R	15	102	A		\$276.83	+		
MAINS CLAUDE	M6026R	74	12	A		\$2,254.20			
MAINS SHELDON, GRACE	M0290R	74	12			\$8,643.48			
MARCINUK JONATHAN	M0488R	19	35			\$1,995.12	+	\$1,395.99	+
MARSH COLLEEN E	N0140R	69	41			\$797.52	+		
MARSH ROBERT, COLLEEN	M0570R	69	40			\$2,475.69	+		
MARSH ROBERT, COLLEEN	M0023R	4	28			\$416.17	+		
MARTIN CONSTANCE	M0670R	78	9			\$93.84	+		
MARTIN LLOYD, ANNIS	M0730R	10	53			\$1,658.08	+		
MARTIN LLOYD JR	M6022R	10	52			\$410.04	+		
MARTIN RICHARD, CYNTHIA	M7046R	4	18	E		\$344.84	+		
MARTIN RICHARD, CYNTHIA	M7048R	4	18	F		\$331.39	+		
MARTIN RICHARD, CYNTHIA	M0740R	4	17			\$2,575.96	+		
MARTIN RICHARD, CYNTHIA	M0780R	4	18			\$853.74	+		
MARTIN RUTH E, STANTON ARTHUR	M0790R	13	30			\$988.89	+		
MASON SEAN	M7040R	46	2			\$1,433.10			
MATHEWS MONA, ELDRIDGE LINDA	M0950R	54	58			\$1,875.78			
MAYER GREG, RHONDA	M3037R	17	20	A		\$2,925.36		\$117.53	+
MC VEIGH JAMES, MARYANN	M1110R	30	49			\$258.78	+		
MCEWEN JAMES, ROBERT	M1335R	40	6			\$1,959.42	+	\$1,959.42	+
MCGOWAN LANI A	E0285R	49	4			\$1,359.66			
MCINTYRE RICHARD, CLAIRE	M1492R	40	2			\$2,928.42	+		
MCKAY DONALD, DENISE	M1500R	8	64			\$786.42	+		
MCNALLY BENT, MYRA	C2165R	53	33			\$529.72	+		
MEEKER ROLAND	M1765R	53	39			\$1,239.30		\$747.60	+

Delinquent Property Taxes

NAME	ACCT	MAP	LOT	SUB	TYPE	07/08	+	06/07	+
MESREVE ALDINE	M1960R	19	61			\$374.34	+		
MESERVE KENNETH, JULIE	E0295R	41	10			\$1,525.92	+		
MICHAUD JOHN, LORI	M2079R	19	50	A		\$518.16			
MICHAUD MICHAEL, ELAINE	M2095R	11	22			\$2,772.36		\$2,772.36	+
MILLIGAN BRIAN, GREGORY	M2250R	25	20			\$8.92	+		
MITCHELL HOLLY B	M6030R	18	28	A		\$2,524.50		\$1,262.25	
MOORE EUGENE, SHIRLEY	M2510R	30	53			\$2,160.36			
MORGAN TIMOTHY I SR	M2620R	17	26			\$582.42		\$582.42	
MURPHY DEBRA, LEAVITT VICTORIA	R0150R	33	11			\$1,620.78		\$1,620.78	
MURPHY ROBERT , CYNTHIA	C2295R	9	47			\$542.13	+		
MURRAY MARTHA	G0665R	52	52			\$1,216.86	+	\$1,358.64	+
MURRAY MARTHA	G0666R	52	50	I26		\$122.40	+	\$122.40	+
MYERS VONNALEE	D1425R	15	88	B		\$948.60	+	\$948.60	+
NOONAN THOMAS JR, JANE	C2140R	54	45			\$2,874.55			
NOONAN THOMAS JR,	N0494R	41	109			\$690.18			
OLSEN FREDERICK J	O0200R	41	77			\$1.33	+		
OLSEN FREDERICK J	O0210R	41	100			\$6.71	+		
OLSEN FREDERICK J	O0220R	41	99			\$8.35	+		
OLSEN FREDERICK J	O0230R	41	97			\$15.27	+		
OLSEN FREDERICK J	O0231R	52	20	J50		\$0.80	+		
OLSEN FREDERICK J	O0235R	41	98			\$2.42	+		
OLSEN FREDERICK J	O0260R	41	73			\$14.45	+		
ORFANIDIS HELEN	H0666R	52	96			\$297.61			
PANDORA DANIEL, CHERYL	P3008R	3	9			\$3.60	+		
PENROSE JONATHAN, CAROLYN	C1011R	3	44			\$1,652.40		\$826.20	
PEREZ SERGIO R	P0600R	65	9			\$3,303.78	+		
PERKINS DONALD M	P0185R	75	21			\$39.78	+		
PETERSEN TERRI-LEE, JOHN	F3002R	78	3			\$374.34			
PETERSEN TERRI-LEE,	P0720R	78	4			\$1,147.50			
PETTINGILL MERRILL, SUSAN	P0715R	29	13			\$74.56	+		
PIKE RANDALL, DONNA	P5023R	16	92	1		\$570.18	+		
PIMPARE RONALD, RONDA DEAN	P5018R	11	42	20		\$2,176.17	+		
PINE HOLLOW ENTERPRISES	L0772R	4	68	B		\$1,533.06			
PINE TREE ROD & GUN CLUB	P0940R	70	1			\$1,282.14	+		
PLOURE SUSAN I	M2060R	52	10			\$1,496.48	+		
PLUMMER DANIEL R	P3010R	46	27	B		\$410.04	+		
POIRIER DENISE T	P4015R	10	18	B		\$2,585.70			
POMERLEAU TIMOTHY, TINA	P4007R	10	122			\$88.74			
POMERLEAU TIMOTHY, TINA	P4008R	10	117			\$1,665.66	+		
PORTER MICHAEL O	P1530R	53	28			\$1,501.44	+		
POTTLE ELIZABETH, JOHN	P1725R	75	37			\$1,264.80	+	\$632.40	+
POWELL ANDREA D	P1730R	42	9			\$2,081.82			
POWERS JOHN E	P1730R	8	9			\$455.43	+		

Delinquent Property Taxes

NAME	ACCT	MAP	LOT	SUB	TYPE	07/08	+	06/07	+
RAGGIANI VINCENZO	E7003R	55	33			\$6,081.24	+		
RAYMOND CAPE ASSOC	R0220R	69	89			\$391.68		\$391.68	
RAYNES GEORGE S JR , FRANCINE	R0290R	41	52	B		\$188.70		\$188.70	+
REED DIANE CALLOW ERNEST	R0385R	42	19			\$1,998.18		\$1,998.18	
RENEY HENRY L	R0550R	15	10			\$939.42	+	\$36.84	+
RICHARDSON TINA M	R6007R	50	14			\$3,128.34			
RIDEOUT TODD	R0718R	27	1			\$1,343.34	+		
RIDLON BRENDA J	R0720R	50	26			\$63.24			
RITCHIE SUSAN M	L1130R	13	45			\$163.20		\$163.20	
RN WILLEY & SON EXC INC	R4003R	5	27			\$395.40	+		
ROBBINS ELAINE	D0300R	19	58			\$1,424.94	+		
ROBERTS JONATHAN WHITNEY	R0890R	26	31			\$209.52	+		
ROBERTS PAUL, SANDRA	M1880R	52	42			\$761.41	+		
ROBINSON ANN	R0930R	12	24			\$570.18	+		
ROBINSON ANN, MORRISON MARTHA	R0940R	12	39			\$790.29	+		
ROWBOTHAM JANICE	R3011R	8	96	A		\$2,551.02		\$2,551.02	+
SABCOR INC	B2495R	18	18	C		\$874.14			
SAWYER LARRY, DENNISON DEBRA	S4011R	41	61			\$628.83	+		
SCHOENHERR DAVID F	S4012R	42	1			\$1,060.80	+		
SEBAGO STORAGE	B2560R	4	18	A		\$2,875.89	+		
SEVERANCE MICHAEL, SANDRA	S0715R	65	8			\$1,338.62	+		
SEVERANCE MICHAEL, SANDRA	S0755R	1	14			\$184.91	+		
SHIBLES MARIE. MURPHY ZURI	S4023R	24	14			\$1,098.03	+		
SIMPSON DOROTHY J	S1210R	6	52			\$316.20		\$316.20	
SMALL MICHAEL, LORRIE	S1440R	12	12			\$1,806.42	+		
SMITH CLARICE	S1470R	15	88			\$527.34	+	\$527.34	+
SNEE DIANNA, GARY	F0030R	71	12			\$2,614.26	+		
SNEE GARY, DIANNA	S3014R	71	11			\$501.84	+		
SORENSEN WALTER F JR	S1740R	52	12			\$2,780.52			
SPARROW SHARON, JAY	S5023R	54	21			\$265.20	+		
SPILLANE DORIS, BELANGER ROB	B0745R	16	98	A		\$2,311.32		\$492.45	
SQUARE J REALTY	S0006R	53	32			\$398.82		\$398.82	
SQUARE J REALTY	S2003R	53	22			\$21,201.72	+		
STANLEY SUSAN	S0925R	15	78			\$1,544.28		\$1,544.28	+
STILES KEITH, VALERIE	S2315R	52	50	107	A	\$122.40	+		
STILES KEITH, VALERIE	S2316R	52	70			\$1,292.34			
STREETER SIMON, SANDRA	S0003R	7	24			\$2,317.65	+		
STROUT RICHARD E	S2530R	19	39			\$2,652.00		\$1,822.09	
SULLIVAN CLAUDIA	M1275R	9	55			\$642.60			
SULLIVAN KEVIN, BRIAN	S2745R	26	27			\$1,069.26	+		
SULLIVAN KEVIN, BRIAN	S2746R	26	16			\$145.01	+		
TAR MARIA M, LESLIE G	T4005R	53	6	A		\$1,940.04	+	\$1,750.80	+
TAYLOR C BRENTON	T0080R	27	9			\$3,112.02	+		

Delinquent Property Taxes

NAME	ACCT	MAP	LOT	SUB	TYPE	07/08	+	06/07	+
THIRTY-NINE SWANS LANE TRUST	N0370R	24	76			\$1,906.38	+		
THOMPSON ANTHONY R	J0035R	13	4			\$1,693.20		\$639.40	
THOMPSON DAVID	T0397R	16	2	A		\$756.84		\$756.84	
TIBBITTS KEVIN, DAVID WEBB	D4012R	13	7	G		\$2,527.56	+	\$2,527.56	+
TIMMONS CATHERINE M	T0700R	46	2					\$54.78	+
TITCOMB BONNIE L	T0079R	3	16	B		\$398.31	+		
TITCOMB BONNIE L	T0780R	3	14			\$4,496.67	+		
TUDOR JOHN, GAIL	O0040R	16	31			\$1,567.74	+		
VALENTE DEANNA L	R0666R	52	20	J03		\$195.84	+	\$195.84	+
VRAUX KATHLEEN, RICHARD	V7005R	11	46	7		\$2,816.22			
WALLACE DAVID R	W0110R	76	46			\$1,302.03	+		
WALLACE FAMILY LAND TRUST	W2900R	76	61			\$1,187.28	+		
WATERMAN AIMEE, SCOTT	P0003R	16	52			\$1,700.33			
WATSON JOHN, TONYA	W4010R	18	37	E		\$1,238.79			
WEEKS RUTH M	W0451R	31	8			\$2,309.28	+	\$341.47	+
WHITNEY	W7211R	11	17	A		\$302.43			
WILLIS ADMA J	W0970R	2	24			\$343.74	+		
WILLIS ADMA JANE	M1767R	67	44			\$730.99	+		
WILLIS BERTHA M	W1015R	69	32			\$48.36	+		
WILLIS GWENDOLYNE	W3008R	67	46			\$1,526.94			
WILLIS JEFFREY, NORMA	W1205R	2	16			\$525.47	+		
WINTLE MARJORIE E	L1260R	3	43			\$395.25	+		
ZIMMERMAN ROGER S	Z0130R	15	90			\$599.76	+		
ZIMMERMAN ROGER, MADOLYNNE	Z0131R	15	110			\$578.34	+		
ZORICH LUCY	G0200R	9	50			\$599.76	+		

TAX BALANCES AS OF JUNE 30, 2008 (+ INDICATES PAYMENT AFTER THAT DATE AND PRIOR TO JANUARY 15, 2009)

PERSONAL PROPERTY

NAME	ACCOUNT	07/08	+	06/07	+	ALL PRIOR	+
BARNS SHELTERS & SHEDS	B0004P			\$12.15			
BERRY HENRY, JENNIFER	B0007P	\$92.06		\$92.06			
BOTTLING GROUP LLC	B7243P	\$114.98	+				
CAFÉ SEBAGO	J0075P	\$143.97		\$143.97		\$318.27	
CAVANAUGH PATRICK, CHERYL	C6002P	\$96.90		\$96.90			
CHIPCO INTERNATIONAL	C0016P	\$6,992.97	+	\$3,496.48	+		
COLLETT LYNN	C3001P	\$102.71		\$109.14		\$222.67	
COPPERSMITH MARYANN, WILLIAM	C0285P	\$66.50		\$76.09		\$216.81	
COULSTRING JEFFREY, DIANE	C6006P			\$193.80			
COUNTRY BUMPKIN DAYCARE INC	C0030P	\$42.74		\$42.74		\$38.97	
D BUZZELL EXCAVATING & LNDSP	D0000P	\$1,530.00					
D-N-J PIZZA	D0001P			\$130.98			
DEANDRADE LINDA, GEORGE	D0004P	\$237.41		\$237.41		\$227.85	
DECKWORKS OF SOUTHERN MAINE	D0006P	\$24.39	+				

Delinquent Property Taxes

NAME	ACCOUNT	07/08 +	06/07 +	ALL PRIOR +
DEROME WILLIAM, NANCY	D0007P	\$235.47 +	\$235.47 +	
ENGINE WORKS	E7305P	\$255.00		
FAIRPOINT DAY SPA LLC	F0002P	\$205.63	\$205.63	\$187.49
FIRST FRIEND CHILDCARE	F0004P	\$79.95 +	\$79.95 +	
FISHERMANS NET	F0005P	\$80.07	\$80.07	
GEROSSIE BOB, SUSAN	G6002P	\$86.70	\$86.70	
GEROSSIE JOHN	G0005P	\$96.90	\$96.90	
GEROSSIE WILLIAM	G6003P	\$96.90	\$96.90	
GILLESPIE JAMES	G0075P	\$90.17	\$90.17	
GORE JOHN, RENEE	G6004P		\$107.10	
GOUZIE KIM, JOHN	G6006P	\$255.00		
GRTR LAKES SHUTTLE SRVC	G0011P		\$22.52	\$20.53
HIGGINS DAVID, LAURA	H3001P		\$96.90	\$539.52
IDEAL LANDSCAPING	I0500P		\$36.91	
INERGY PROPANE LLC	I7209P	\$31.25 +		
JOY DEANNA, BRIAN	J6002P	\$127.50		
LAMONTAGNE PAUL, CRYSTAL	L0002P	\$89.15 +		
LAPPIN ALBERT, DOTTIE	L0004P			\$102.30
LARONDE LARRY, ELAINE	L0005P	\$54.19 +		
LEYLAND EDWARD, LISA	L0012P	\$116.28		
M3 PACILLO MATT	M0000P			\$100.91
MAINE QXY	M0002P			\$4.19
MAINE STREAM CRAFTSMEN INC	M7243P	\$12.20		
MAINE TELEPHONE CO	M0003P	\$124.80 +	\$124.80 +	
MAINS PIZZA	M0004P		\$169.08	
MARMEN MICHAEL	M0007P	\$48.45		
MATTHEW MATT, BARBARA	M6002P	\$38.76		
MCGEE GEORGE	M7205P	\$135.18		
MOLLDEN RICHARD, ALICE	M0325P			\$489.89
MONTEBELLA RISTORANTE	M0018P	\$530.40 +	\$530.40 +	\$45.37 +
MURRAY MARTHA	M0250P	\$81.60 +	\$81.60 +	\$37.20 +
ORFANIDIS HELEN	O0001P	\$31.89		
PARKER ALAN	P0004P	\$168.14	\$549.39	
PASQUALI VINCENT	P7203P	\$116.28		
PAYSON PAUL, JOANNE	P0010P	\$135.66	\$135.66	\$650.04
PEASE CURT, LINDA	P0006P	\$48.45		
PLANET SUN TANNING AND SPA	P0014P	\$108.78 +		
POMERLEAU TIM	P0017P		\$33.35 +	\$30.41 +
PORTLAND GLASS CO	P0019P	\$28.59 +	\$28.59 +	
RAYMOND GAS	R0001P	\$140.97		
RAYMOND SERVICE CTR	R0003P	\$144.08	\$144.08	\$131.36
RAYS BARBER SHOP	R0006P			\$2.51
RN WILEY & SON EXC INC	R0012P	\$245.85 +		
ROSADO LILLIAN	R3232P	\$135.66	\$135.66	\$489.24

Delinquent Property Taxes

NAME	ACCOUNT	07/08 +	06/07 +	ALL PRIOR +
ROSADO ORLANDO	R0015P	\$92.06 +	\$92.06 +	
SEBAGO SIGNWORKS INC	S0008P	\$60.74	\$60.74	
SEBAGO STORAGE	S0009P	\$11.37 +		
SMITH CAROL, STEVE	S0013P	\$24.22		
SOLUTIONS HAIRSTYLING	S0255P	\$73.90	\$73.90	\$356.94
STEPHENSON LESLIE	J0002P	\$147.67 +		
STILES KEITH, VALERIE	S7070P	\$224.40		
STOVER MIKE	S0017P	\$125.97	\$125.97	
THERAPEUTIC MASSAGE	T0006P	\$34.36	\$2.76	
TRI-STATE ATM	T0015P		\$38.25 +	
TURN-KEY AUTOMATION	T0018P	\$370.67	\$370.67	
VOZZELLA BUTCH, TERRI	V0001P	\$46.03 +		
WEATHERBY LEWIS S, JOANNE L	G0325P			\$140.25
WEEKS INSURANCE	W0005P		\$27.39	

Town Officers as of June 30, 2008

Selectmen, Assessors, and Overseers of the Poor

Mark Gendron, Chairman, 2010
Joseph Bruno, 2009
Dana Desjardins, 2011
Michael Reynolds, 2010
Lawrence Taylor, 2011

Town Manager, Tax Collector, GA Administrator

Donald Willard

Finance Director

Nancy L. Yates

Town Clerk

Louise H. Lester

Superintendent

Sandra S. Caldwell

Principal – Jordan-Small Middle School

Randy Crockett

Principal - Raymond Elementary

Norma A. Richard

Fire Chief

Denis A. Morse

Assistant Fire Chief

Bruce D. Tupper

Deputy Chief [EMS]

Kathy Gosselin

Road Commissioner and Public Works Foreman

Nathan L. White

Emergency Management Agency

Bruce D. Tupper, Director

Health Officer

John W. Painter, D.O.

Animal Control Officer

Donald E. Alexander

**Code Enforcement Officer/
Building Inspector**

William L. Cook, CEO
John "Jack" Cooper, Asst. CEO

Registrar of Voters

Louise B. Murray

Town Attorney

Bernstein, Shur, Sawyer & Nelson

School Committee

Jeraldine Keane, Chairman, 2011
Roger Ginn, 2009
Martha Page, 2009
Teresa Sadak, 2010
Gregg Tangen, 2011 (resigned)

Budget/Finance Committee

Rolf Olsen, Chairman, 2011
Susan Accardi, 2009
Ralph Bartholomew, 2011
Marshall Bullock, 2010
Jean Carter, 2010
William C. Chapman, 2011
Dennis Cole, 2010
Robert Gosselin, 2009
Jerilyn F. Ward, 2009

Planning Board

Patrick Clark, Chairman, 2009
Robert O'Neill, 2010 Vice Chair
Greg Foster, 2011
Samuel Gifford, 2009
William Priest, 2010
Kathryn Wallace, 2010

Town Planner

Hugh Coxe

Appeals Board

Matthew Schaefer, Chairman, 2010
Michael Higgins, 2011
Peter Leavitt 2009
Elden Lingwood, 2009
Lawrence Murch, 2010
Mary Picavet, Alternate, 2009

State Government Representatives

State Senator District 12

William Diamond
Senate Chamber
3 State House Station
Augusta, Maine 04333-0003
(207)287-1505
1-800-423-6900
Home:
261 Windham Center Road
Windham, Maine 04062
207-892-8941
SenBill.Diamond@legislature.maine.gov

Representative To The Legislature District 103

John C. Robinson
House of Representatives
State House, Station #2
Augusta, Maine 04333-0002
(207)287-1400 (Voice)
(207)287-4469 (TTY)
1-800-423-2900
www.state.me.us/legis
Home:
15 Cranberry Pond Road
Raymond, Maine 04071
207-655-8657
jrobinson@robinsonmfgco.com
Holly Mitchell, 2011 (replaced Mr. Tangen)

Town of Raymond, ME

EMERGENCY

All Raymond residents Emergency 911
Cumberland County Sheriff 774-1444
Non-Emergency 1-800-266-1444
Maine State Police 1-800-482-0730
Raymond Public Safety Building..... 655-1187
Poison Control 1-800-442-6305

UTILITIES

Central Maine Power loss of power 1-800-696-1000
Fairpoint NE Telephone (local service) 1-800-400-5568
United States Post Office Raymond Shopping Center.... 655-4974

TOWN OFFICE

401 Webbs Mills Road..... 655-4742
Hours: Tue noon-7:00pm
Wed-Fri 8:30am-4:00pm Sat 8:30am-noon
Don Willard, Town Manager
Town Election the second Tuesday in June

LAKE REGION BULKY WASTE FACILITY

Leach Hill Road, Casco
Tue, Thur, Sat and Sun 7:00am-4:45pm
STICKER REQUIRED FROM TOWN OFFICE

RAYMOND VILLAGE LIBRARY:

3 Meadow Road, PO Box 297
Barbara Thorpe, Director..... 655-4283
Chrissy Zidle, Storytime Coordinator 655-4283
Library Hours: Sun, Mon, Wed 10:00am -7:00pm
Baby Time: Mon 10:00am
Toddler Time: Session I - Wed 10:00am
Session II - Wed 11:00am
Preschool Story Time: Mon 11:00am
E-mail: rlibrar1@maine.rr.com

COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS

& SERVICES

Raymond Recreation: Pat Smith 655-4657
Raymond Baseball: Lonnie Taylor 655-3013
Parent Teacher Organization (PTO):
Alizah Shriver..... 655-2877
Raymond Mentoring Partnership/Communities For Children:
Candace Woolston 655-4870
Cub Scouts: Jim Fisher 998-2392
Boy Scouts: Rolf Olsen 655-4670
Boy Scouts: Tom Wiley 655-2048
Lions Club: Dale Gilman 655-4114
Historical Society:
Betty McDermott..... 655-4646
Raymond Conservation Commission:
Elizabeth Algeo 655-6965
Raymond Waterways Protective Association:
Noralee Raymond 671-3329
Raymond Senior Citizens Dinner:
Norma Richard 655-8672
Food Pantry: Elmer Young 232-5830
1st and 3rd Thursdays from 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm
Rabbit Run Food Co-op: Vic Gideon 655-2585
Senior Services:
Community Health Services..... 775-7231
Meals on Wheels 1-800-400-6325
Regional Transportation 1-800-244-0704
So. Maine Agency on Aging 1-800 427-7411
Social Security..... 1-800 722-1213
Family Issues:
Family Crisis Center..... 1-800 537-6066
or woman abuse HOTLINE 874-1973
Adult & Child Abuse-Neglect 1-800-452-1999
Alcoholics Anonymous 1 800 737-6237
Al-Anon..... 1-800-498-1844
People's Regional Opportunity Program (PROP):
Information on Head Start,
Fuel Assistance, applications
for other assistance programs call 1-800-698-4959
or call the Town Office to schedule
an appointment.
Tri-County Mental Health Services 1-888-568-1112
Sexual Assault Response Services 1-800-313-9900
TTY 1-888-458-5599

SCHOOLS

Raymond Elementary School (K-4)..... 655-8672
Norma Richard, Principal
Ivy Jordan, Early Intervention Specialist
Debbie Hutchinson, Guidance & Counseling
Jordan-Small Middle School (5-8)..... 655-4743
Randy Crockett, Principal
Lynn-Eve Davis, Guidance
RSU #14 School Department..... 892-1800
Sanford Prince, Superintendent

COMMUNITY MEETING LOCATIONS

Jordan-Small Middle School..... 655-4743
Raymond Elementary School 655-8672
Raymond Town Office 655-4742
Raymond Public Safety Building 655-1187
Raymond Village Library..... 655-4283
Raymond Village Church..... 655-7749
Riverside Hall: Charly Leavitt 655-7059

OUTDOOR LOCATIONS

(no public supervision implied)
Sheri Gagnon Memorial Park, Mill Street 655-4742
(playing fields, playground, picnic)
Jordan-Small Middle School..... 655-4743
(fields, basketball court, wooded trails)
Crescent Lake Beach..... 655-4742
(free public beach, boat launch)
Tassel Top Beach, Route 302 655-4675
(beach, swimming, picnicking, or 655-4742
cabin rental, fee charged)
Raymond Beach, Route 302 655-4742
(free boat launch, swimming)
Morgan Meadow, FL 268-1 Egypt Road 655-4742
(hiking trails, cross country skiing,
snow shoeing)
Raymond Rattlers Snowmobile Club:
Larry Wood 655-5469
Rattlesnake Mountain Trail
(hiking trail across from 743 Webbs Mills Rd.)

Notes

TOWN OF RAYMOND
Founded by Joseph Dingley and Dominicus Jordan in 1770
Incorporated on June 20, 1803
Town Website: www.raymondmaine.org

Town Office Hours

Sunday	Closed
Monday	Closed
Tuesday	12:00 pm to 7:00 pm
Wednesday	8:30 am to 4:00 pm
Thursday	8:30 am to 4:00 pm
Friday	8:30 am to 4:00 pm
Saturday	8:30 am to 12:00 pm

Lake Region Bulky Waste Facility

Leach Hill Road, Casco Phone: 627-7585

Hours

Sunday	7:00 am to 4:45 pm
Tuesday	7:00 am to 4:45 pm
Thursday	7:00 am to 4:45 pm
Saturday	7:00 am to 4:45 pm

Important Telephone Numbers

If you don't know the Town Office extension needed just dial 0

Town Office	655-4742
Code Enforcement Office	655-3066
Assessors Office.....	655-4742, x-25
Fire/Rescue Dispatch (Cumberland County) ..	1-800-501-1111
Fire/Rescue Business Office	655-1187
Public Works Garage	655-2018
Jordan-Small Middle School	655-4743
Raymond Elementary School	655-8672
Raymond Superintendent's Office	655-8666
Cumberland County Sheriff's Department	774-1444
EMERGENCY.....	911

Important Dates to Remember in 2009-2010

December 31	Dog licenses are due for renewal
April 1	All property, both real and personal, is assessed to the owner of record as of April 1. Owners must bring in a list of property to the Assessors to be able to make claims for abatement.
April 21	Abatement Application deadline 3:00 pm
April 30	Second half tax payment due
June 2	Town Meeting
June 9	Municipal Elections
June 30	Snowmobile & ATV registrations due
June 30	2008-2009 Fiscal Year ends
July 1	2009-2010 Fiscal Year begins
October 31	First half tax payment due
November 3	General Election Day
December 31	Boat registrations are due for renewal
December 31	IF&W licenses are due for renewal

PLEASE REMEMBER TO BRING THIS REPORT TO TOWN MEETING WITH YOU.